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Subject: QRP-L digest 2077

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- 6) [89452] Re: League's stand on CW  
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- 7) [89453] Re: NC40A repackaging  
by "John Harper" <ae5x@qsl.net>
- 8) [89454] That blasted HAHAHA virus again!  
by wb2vuo@juno.com
- 9) [89455] Re: 30 Metres  
by wa4dou@excite.com
- 10) [89456] Pixie qso anyone?  
by Fran Flynn <fflynn@adelphia.net>
- 11) [89457] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW  
by "B. J. \"Tony\" Martin" <w4foa@voy.net>
- 12) [89458] Re: resistor question  
by preacher102677@juno.com
- 13) [89459] Re: League's stand on CW  
by "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>
- 14) [89460] Re: That blasted HAHAHA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
by "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>
- 15) [89461] RE: resistor question  
by Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainet.net>
- 16) [89462] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW  
by "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>
- 17) [89463] Re: League's stand on CW  
by <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
- 18) [89464] Re: That blasted HAHAHA virus again!  
by Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
- 19) [89465] Re: PIC dev environment

- by "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
- 20) [89466] Re: League's stand on CW  
by Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>
- 21) [89467] Preliminary ARRL Board Report  
by "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>
- 22) [89468] New App notes on Elecraft page  
by Eric Swartz WA6HHQ - Elecraft <eric@elecraft.com>
- 23) [89469] Re: League's stand on CW  
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 24) [89470] Re: Preliminary ARRL Board Report  
by "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>
- 25) [89471] Cub Fox  
by Ron D Doyle <n8var@juno.com>
- 26) [89472] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW  
by "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>
- 27) [89473] Re: 30 Metres  
by Bill Stietenroth <k5zty@juno.com>
- 28) [89474] Re: League's stand on CW  
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 29) [89475] Re: Preliminary ARRL Board Report  
by alan.kaul@att.net
- 30) [89476] Re: 30 Metres  
by "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>
- 31) [89477] Re: about tuner losses  
by "John Moriarity" <k6qq@hdo.net>
- 32) [89478] Re: Silver Plating Antenna Wire  
by Frank Valentine <valentinef@earthlink.net>
- 33) [89479] Re: harbor freight punch  
by Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>
- 34) [89480] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>
- 35) [89481] FOX: There's joy here in river city  
by "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
- 36) [89482] Re: harbor freight punch  
by "Larry Przyborowski" <k3peg@yahoo.com>
- 37) [89483] FOX Jim N0UR on 7.042.49  
by "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
- 38) [89484] Fox 30 Meter (NO NO NO NO!!!)  
by Ji m <ku4qw@yahoo.com>
- 39) [89485] Re: That blasted HAHAA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
- 40) [89486] Re: resistor question  
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>
- 41) [89487] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
by "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>
- 42) [89488] FOX Jim N0UR on 7.042.63  
by "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
- 43) [89489] The 4017 Xverter kit is here!

- by "Larry Przyborowski" <k3peg@yahoo.com>
- 44) [89490] NJQRP now accepts PayPal payments  
by "George Heron" <n2apb@erols.com>
- 45) [89491] Vernier Drive Sources?  
by Ed Kessler <edkess@epix.net>
- 46) [89492] Wanted--Preamp for Beverage  
by "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>
- 47) [89493] Re: Corroded Feedline & Snow on Ladder Line  
by Don <dwittlic@apci.net>
- 48) [89494] charging 12 cell NI MH packs...  
by "Robert Marlan" <rsm@otology.com>
- 49) [89495] Re: [Elecraft] charging 12 cell NI MH packs...  
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>
- 50) [89496] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>
- 51) [89497] Virus propagation and QRP-L  
by "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>
- 52) [89498] Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
by "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>
- 53) [89499] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>
- 54) [89500] Help: Harbor freight hand punch weight??  
by "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>
- 55) [89501] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Steve/n0tu" <n0tu@webaccess.net>
- 56) [89502] Re: Small TX loops still amaze!  
by Stewart Bryant <stewart.bryant@virgin.net>
- 57) [89503] Re: League's stand on CW  
by "Francis Callahan" <colcal@srv.net>
- 58) [89504] (OT)Help with Sick Knwd TS-930  
by Doug Bankston <dougbankston1@yahoo.com>
- 59) [89505] ARRL and Morse Code??  
by "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>
- 60) [89506] RE: League's stand on CW  
by "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfdn.org>
- 61) [89507] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by Steve Muncy <listsubs@sintezo.com>
- 62) [89508] VFO Schematics  
by <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>
- 63) [89509] ARRL Board Report  
by "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>
- 64) [89510] Re: Fox 30 Meter (NO NO NO NO!!!)  
by Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>
- 65) [89511] RE: League's stand on CW  
by Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>
- 66) [89512] Happy birthday radio...  
by Maxime Prati <mprati@postech.ca>
- 67) [89513] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?

by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
68) [89514] Re: Happy birthday radio...  
by Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
69) [89515] Re: 30 Metres  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
70) [89516] Re: 30 Metres  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
71) [89517] Re: 30 Metres  
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
72) [89518] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
73) [89519] Re: 30m  
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
74) [89520] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
75) [89521] Re: League's stand on CW  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
76) [89522] QRP SSB  
by Bill Lazure <n2tpa@juno.com>  
77) [89523] Re: Virus propagation and QRP-L  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
78) [89524] OT Quest for elusive Novice WAS  
by Bcieslak@ra.rockwell.com  
79) [89525] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Larry Wise" <lewise@txwises.com>  
80) [89526] Re: 30m  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
81) [89527] Re: 30 Metres  
by "John L. Sielke" <jsielke@pobox.com>  
82) [89528] Re: 30m  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
83) [89529] Re: 30m  
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
84) [89530] Re: 30 Metres  
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
85) [89531] OT - Memory HELP  
by "Mugleston, Brad" <brad.mugleston@gwl.com>  
86) [89532] Klunky Warbler Schematics  
by <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>  
87) [89533] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
88) [89534] Re: 30m  
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
89) [89535] 30 meters  
by Michael Goins <mgoins@usa.net>  
90) [89536] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>  
91) [89537] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?

by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
92) [89538] 30 Meters  
by crc@io.com  
93) [89539] ARRL STAND...  
by hamjoel@juno.com  
94) [89540] FOX - Corrected Log - AF4PS Cub 1-23-01  
by Macstein@aol.com  
95) [89541] Re: ARRL Stand  
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
96) [89542] Re: 30m  
by "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>  
97) [89543] Re: NC40A repackaging  
by agtaylor@llnl.gov  
98) [89544] Re: 30m  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
99) [89545] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@midsouth.rr.com>  
100) [89546] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
101) [89547] Re: 30m  
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
102) [89548] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
103) [89549] RE: about tuner losses  
by "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
104) [89550] Re: Silver Plating ?  
by Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
105) [89551] Re: 30m  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
106) [89552] Re: Being Had?--Seems Like It  
by Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
107) [89553] RE: ARRL STAND...  
by "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>  
108) [89554] Kenwood Repair Centers  
by Ken Brown <n4so@juno.com>  
109) [89555] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
110) [89556] DIRTY METERS????  
by Shepherd@aol.com  
111) [89557] WARC Bands: The real deal. Was: 30m foxhunts  
by Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>  
112) [89558] 30M how about this?  
by Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
113) [89559] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
by Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
114) [89560] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
115) [89561] Re: 30m

by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
116) [89562] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
117) [89563] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
118) [89564] 30 mtr fox hunt..  
by hamjoel@juno.com  
119) [89565] Re: OT Quest for elusive Novice WAS  
by Dave Sjolín <sjolin@swbell.net>  
120) [89566] Gentlemen's agreement??  
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
121) [89567] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
122) [89568] RE: DIRTY METERS????  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
123) [89569] Voltage Doubler  
by "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>  
124) [89570] DX Donations and 2:1 SWR  
by "Ron, KU7Y" <ku7y@qsl.net>  
125) [89571] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
126) [89572] Re: 30 Metres  
by <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>  
127) [89573] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by "Dave Benham" <dodgeboy@mindspring.com>  
128) [89574] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>  
129) [89575] RE: Voltage Doubler  
by "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>  
130) [89576] re: Transceivers for Backpacking-Thanks!  
by oxf01@maxmail.co.uk  
131) [89577] MI QRP Net Results  
by ed.kwik@delphiauto.com  
132) [89578] 30 m QRP HAPPENING  
by Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
133) [89579] Re: K-2 Building  
by "Joel Kluender, NF9K" <nf9k@eudoramail.com>  
134) [89580] Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
by Wayne Burdick <n6kr@elecraft.com>  
135) [89581] B & N - ARRL Handbooks  
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
136) [89582] RE: Voltage Doubler  
by "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
137) [89583] Re: Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
by Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
138) [89584] Re: Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
by "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>  
139) [89585] RE: Gentlemen's agreement??

by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
140) [89586] Re: That blasted HAAAAHA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
by "Pastor-KC1DI" <elbc@pivot.net>  
141) [89587] Re: Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
by "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
142) [89588] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
by "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
143) [89589] Klunky Schematic Annotation  
by <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>  
144) [89590] Re: DIRTY METERS????  
by Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>  
145) [89591] Re: 30m Foxhunt  
by Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
146) [89592] Unbuilt DSW 30  
by "Steve Hanson" <ke1lg@qsilver.net>  
147) [89593] Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
by N10DL@aol.com  
148) [89594] Re: Voltage Doubler  
by "Brian" <brian@iquiest.net>  
149) [89595] possible 30 mtr solution  
by hamjoel@juno.com  
150) [89596] Re: 30m and contests  
by Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
151) [89597] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
152) [89598] Re: NC40A repackaging  
by Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
153) [89599] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
154) [89600] Lengthy discussions  
by "George Lee" <georgekr5c@cablelynx.com>  
155) [89601] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
156) [89602] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
by Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
157) [89603] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
158) [89604] FS QRP stuff UPDATE  
by "Ronald A. Pfeiffer" <Ronald\_A\_Pfeiffer@res.raytheon.com>  
159) [89605] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
160) [89606] Re: League's stand on CW  
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
161) [89607] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Gary Lee Phillips" <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
162) [89608] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
by Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>  
163) [89609] 30 meters check the web, not list

by "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
164) [89610] Re: possible 30 mtr solution  
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
165) [89611] I enjoy ARRL and paying dues  
by "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
166) [89612] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
by Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
167) [89613] RE: Gentlemen's agreement??  
by Jim Lyons <lyons@canada.com>  
168) [89614] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by "Dave Benham" <dodgeboy@mindspring.com>  
169) [89615] Many Thanks...  
by "Steve Hanson" <ke1lg@qsilver.net>  
170) [89616] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
by Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
171) [89617] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
by "Bill Harbour" <bharbour@co.baldwin.al.us>  
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175) [89621] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
176) [89622] Re: That blasted HAHAHA /I GOT WORMS  
by RangerSF5@aol.com  
177) [89623] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
by "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@midsouth.rr.com>  
178) [89624] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
179) [89625] Re: Novice WAS  
by "Tom K" <kkleiner@megsinet.net>  
180) [89626] Re: Gentleman's Agreement  
by "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
181) [89627] Re: about tuner losses  
by "Andrew Catanzaro" <acatan@execpc.com>  
182) [89628] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
by "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>  
183) [89629] Smith Charts  
by "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
184) [89630] Re: Smith Charts  
by "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
185) [89631] Re: Novice WAS  
by Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>  
186) [89632] Re: Smith Charts  
by "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
187) [89633] RE: Smith Charts





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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:08:07 EST  
From: K2UD@aol.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Cc: cw@qth.net  
Subject: [89448] League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <67.ec54fba.279f76e7@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Did you hear what the League did recently? They:

- 1.) Voted to increase dues
- 2.) Agreed that CW will likely not be an international requirement at the next WARC, so why vote for it? OK for the states though.
- 3.) Hired a bunch of folks for various positions to strengthen amateur radio's position (see #1 above).

Guess what will be next? See #2 for a clue, and have the Vaseline ready.

73/72 all

Howard Kraus, K2UD

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:30:06 -0500 (EST)  
From: <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>  
To: David Shalita <davidr@cnmnetwork.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89449] Re: Help with Drake T4XB  
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.4.05L.10101231928310.3336-1000000@vh1.min.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Tue, 23 Jan 2001, David Shalita wrote:

- > I located one Drake Message Board where they discuss repairing Drake
- > gear.
- > <http://www.zerobeat.net/wwwboard/drake/>

The companion mailing list for that forum can be joined by sending email

Lots of discussions, lots of technical advice.

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| <a href="http://www.baltimoremd.com/">http://www.baltimoremd.com/</a>   | Baltimore's Home Page                                 |
| <a href="http://www.baltimorehon.com/">http://www.baltimorehon.com/</a> | Home of the Baltimore Lexicon                         |
| <a href="http://www.zerobeat.net">http://www.zerobeat.net</a>           | Home of The QRP Web Ring<br>and Drake Mail List Pages |

On Tue, 23 Jan 2001, Bruce Muscolino wrote:

Better said that we should behave like gentlemen.

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 17:52:39 -0600  
From: Lynn M Larson <green-beret@juno.com>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89451] SMK-1 Construction Question  
Message-ID: <20010123.181338.-150577.0.green-beret@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I used larger solder than what was recommended in the manual and had no problem. First time I used a soldering iron on a pc board. It works fine.

Lynn M Larson  
KC5WUG

73's

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:17:19 -0600  
From: "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>  
To: <K2UD@aol.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89452] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <00c901c0859b\$03f225c0\$7c640304@vz.dsl.genuity.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

And if we didn't have the League, guess who would have our frequencies?

----- Original Message -----  
From: <K2UD@aol.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 18:08 PM  
Subject: League's stand on CW

> Did you hear what the League did recently? They:  
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> Howard Kraus, K2UD

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:21:59 -0500  
From: "John Harper" <ae5x@qsl.net>  
To: <agtaylor@llnl.gov>  
Cc: "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89453] Re: NC40A repackaging  
Message-ID: <003501c0859b\$aad53b20\$5b7abc18@johnharp>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Allan,

There is a "TiCK-type" keyer that has a potentiometer speed control at:  
<http://www.morsex.com/jackson.htm>

I believe it is also written up in the current QRP Quarterly. I'm surprised  
we haven't seen more being posted to the list about it.  
72,

John Harper AE5X  
Outdoor QRP & Lowband DXing: <http://www.qsl.net/ae5x>

>Keep some  
> sort of keyer with potentiometer speed control but skip the counter  
> portion of the KC1...simpler to have a few key spots noted on a  
> 1-turn pots knob rim The Tick series of keyers are very convenient, \

> but I really miss changing speed instantaneously. > 73 Allan K7GT /  
AE6TT  
> Pleasanton CA  
>  
> Allan G Taylor

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:17:58 -0500  
From: wb2vuo@juno.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89454] That blasted HAAAAHA virus again!  
Message-ID: <20010123.191823.-464369.0.wb2vuo@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have been receiving 2 or 3 HAAAAHA posts on other lists each day, but today I got one on this account, and the only list I subscribe to here is QRP-L

I have been deleteing the damned things as fast as I see them, this laptop scans out clean, but does anybody know which virus this actually is? Better yet, has anyone seen it coming from a list that is something other than Ham Radio-related?

I really don't want to open a copy to see what PC-cillin ID's it as!

On the QRP front, I found a great electronics parts store in the Binghamton, NY area today, Unicorn Electronics, Inc. No NE602's, but lots of other goodies. I picked up a package of optoisolators for the PSK-31 interface in the latest QST and drooled on a bunch of other goodies!

Their website (which I have not had a chance to check out) is:

<http://www.unicornelex.com>

72/73, Keith, WB2VUO, 100% QRP from the Depths of the Great Bergen Swamp  
President, Brockport Amateur Radio Klub  
My night light runs more power than my Rig!!!  
Replies off-list to: wb2vuo@arrl.net

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 16:26:30 -0800 (PST)  
From: wa4dou@excite.com  
To: hamjoel@juno.com, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89455] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <4478938.980295990054.JavaMail.imail@seamore.excite.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Joel,

Signals that chirp and drift appreciably are not only not necessary, but would have gotten you an OO report 40 years ago. The state of the art has advanced considerably since then and chirp and drift have no place in the modern world anymore. When it comes to an amateurs knowledge that his signal is chirpy or very drifty, he should remove the signal from the air and take steps to correct the situation. Keyed oscillators, using sluggish crystals or insufficient feedback, (and sometimes excessive feedback) were notorious for these problems. However chirp and drift aren't necessarily limited to such simple apparatus. As qrp'ers, chirp and drift reflect poorly on us as a group and we should strive to have excellent signals, even if we're a few db down. Thats not necessarily a professional attribute, its also a self respecting amateurs point of view also.

Today its considered politically incorrect to say or do anything that offends. The self respecting and progressive amateur welcomes reports that aren't necessarily positive, if indeed a situation he needs to know about and address, exists.

73 Roy Lincoln WA4DOU

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On Tue, 23 Jan 2001 17:38:42 -0500, hamjoel@juno.com wrote:

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>  
> On Tue, 23 Jan 2001 11:48:29 -0600 "Kanalz, Karl"  
> <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com> writes:  
> > But I also believe that as "Amateurs", we should be as professional  
> > as possible in everything we do!  
>  
> What's the point in makin a hobby a chore?  
> Thair are rules, we follow them... that's what we're required to do...  
> Really? is it professional to put a tunna fish xmtr that chirps, and  
> drifts on the air and try to make contacts with minimum power and a  
> highly compromised antenna system.... that an't professional...  
> it's amateruish, it borders on foolishness and it's fun to do or  
> participate in...it's a ham thing not a professional thing to do...

> and iffin u stayed within the rules and regs or the spirit of the rules  
> en regs then u done it right...professional  
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Send a cool gift with your E-Card  
<http://www.bluemountain.com/giftcenter/>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:33:56 -0500  
From: Fran Flynn <[fflynn@adelphia.net](mailto:fflynn@adelphia.net)>  
To: qrp-l Discussion <[qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU)>  
Subject: [89456] Pixie qso anyone?  
Message-ID: <3A6E22F4.B805495A@adelphia.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I built this little rig called the Pixie, has one IC and 2 transistors and it is actually a transceiver, not a good one, but still. I paid about \$25 for it. Very difficult kit, I have about 30 minutes invested in it. I would like to say that I made at least one contact with the thing. It outputs about 300 milliwatts on 3685.4 Khz. If you can't do 80, I got a crystal for 7040 I can solder into it. It's very cute, I built it into an Altoids box. I call it my "little toid", hihi.

Would anyone like to attempt a brief QSO one of these evenings or over the weekend? I'm in Vermont.

Let me know via the list, thanks

-Fran km1z  
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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:46:37 -0500  
From: "B. J. \"Tony\" Martin" <w4foa@voy.net>  
To: K2UD@aol.com  
Cc: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, cw@qth.net  
Subject: [89457] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <3A6E25ED.D8C2D468@voy.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

That's a lot of money for a monthly color catalog.  
Tony, W4FOA

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Watch your thoughts; they become words.  
Watch your words; they become actions.  
Watch your actions; they become habits.  
Watch your habits; they become character.  
Watch your character; it becomes your destiny.

-Frank Outlaw

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:40:16 -0500  
From: preacher102677@juno.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89458] Re: resistor question  
Message-ID: <20010123.193858.-184621.3.preacher102677@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Could I use a wirewound as a "bleeder" for the capacitors for when I turn off my rig?

>  
> Wirewound types are reported to be highly inductive - they make good  
> loads  
> for DC supplies and audio frequencies, but not good for RF.  
>  
> 73,  
> Don Wilhelm -Chapel Hill, NC W3FPR home page:  
> <http://www.w3fpr.webprovider.com>  
> QRP-L # 485 K2 SN 0020 [mailto: w3fpr@arrl.net](mailto:w3fpr@arrl.net)  
>

LIC,  
G. Brandon Hoyt --"Known far and Wide as the Great Pumpkin."  
Photographer, Philosopher, Preacher, Pirate, Poet.  
DE KG4GVL Clear.

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:48:58 -0500  
From: "Victor Blackwell" <[victor@brecnet.com](mailto:victor@brecnet.com)>  
To: <[K2UD@aol.com](mailto:K2UD@aol.com)>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-l@lehigh.edu](mailto:qrp-l@lehigh.edu)>  
Subject: [89459] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <002601c0859f\$7025e5c0\$405730d1@victor>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"  
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I think item #3 is to sell more magazines. I guess to make up for the slacking off of members.

Vic AD8K

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:58:04 -0600  
From: "Chuck Carpenter" <w5usj@globeco.net>  
To: wb2vuo@juno.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89460] Re: That blasted HAAAAHA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
Message-ID: <3.0.2.32.20010123185804.006c1cd8@mail.globeco.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Make sure to delete the attachments. That's the part that does the damage.

I use Eudora and It's simple to go to the attachments folder and delete the executable file first. Then I go back and delete the file. Don't know how attachments work with other email programs. Just don't click on anything in high-lighted blue.

I get them on various addresses I use and they may have started when I did a reply-to-all to something one of my (grownup) kids forwarded to me with dozens of names attached. One of those hoax messages that I wanted to educate all those folks with... 8^)..

I get them on QRP-L and also the VHF and 6-Club reflectors too.

Chuck Carpenter, EM22cv, Point, Rains County, Texas  
NETXQRP Club -- <http://www.netxqrp.org>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:59:06 -0600  
From: Nick Kennedy <nkennedy@tcainternet.com>  
To: "'RangerSF5@aol.com'" <RangerSF5@aol.com>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
<qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89461] RE: resistor question  
Message-ID: <01C0856E.901A18A0.nkennedy@tcainternet.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I bought some huge resistors labelled "non-inductive" some years ago,  
thinking dummy load.

Turned out they weren't that non-inductive at RF frequencies. If I recall  
correctly the dummy load was sort of OK at 3.5 MHz progressing to out of  
hand on 10. Refusing to be beaten, I used the SWR readings on each band to  
calculate the reactance, then took a rotary switch and some fixed caps  
selected to cancel the reactance and made a "bandswitching dummy load"--the  
worlds first?

I was told later that they manufacture those things by reversing the  
direction of the turns of resistance wire half way through, so they'll  
cancel. I guess it works but there's enough inaccuracy in the process to  
produce too much residual inductance in the upper HF region.

Of course, I don't know if all "non-inductive" resistors are made that way.  
Could be the ones you're looking at would live up to their name.

72--Nick, WA5BDU

-----Original Message-----

From: RangerSF5@aol.com [SMTP:RangerSF5@aol.com]  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 2:51 PM  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: resistor question

Hi Gang,

Just wanted to know if the non inductor type of resistors can be used for making a small dummy load..

Someone told me that they are using the metal oxide type.

I was told to avoid this type because of the grooves in them they can act like

an inductor.

What about the wire wound type.???

Any suggestions greatly appreciated.

Thanks

Bob

WA2HOQrp <tm>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:57:55 -0600

From: "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>

To: <K2UD@aol.com>, <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Cc: <cw@qth.net>

Subject: [89462] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW

Message-ID: <012001c085a0\$b045cd40\$7c640304@vz.dsl.genuity.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Anybody can tear down. The man I respect is the one who comes up with something better! Your suggestions?

Jim, K5ROV

James (Jim) Parsons, K5ROV, CMSgt, USAF, Ret., Ham for 60 yrs.

k5rov@arrl.net, QCWA, ARCI, Fists, ARRL, ARMS.

EX: W1RLA, K5FBB, K4FEO, SV0WN (CRETE), SV0WN (RHODES),

DL4NC, DL4JP, KA2FC (JAPAN), KA2JP (JAPAN).

JOHN 3:16

----- Original Message -----

From: <K2UD@aol.com>

To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>

Cc: <cw@qth.net>

Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 18:08 PM

Subject: [CW] League's stand on CW

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> \_\_For archives of postings, see web page  
<http://www.qth.net/cw-digest.archive>  
> \_\_To contact list owner, email to owner-cw@qth.net  
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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:27:38 -0500 (EST)  
From: <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>  
To: James Parsons <res075cz@gte.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89463] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.4.05L.10101232023490.5780-100000@vh1.min.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Tue, 23 Jan 2001, James Parsons wrote:

> And if we didn't have the League, guess who would have our frequencies?

Just because we have The League to defend the faith and frequencies  
doesn't mean we can't question or criticize their positions and methods.

For example, if The League is successful in carving up the novice bands,  
there will be a finite amount of spectrum that is relatively clear of  
SSB.

[illegible]

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| <a href="http://www.baltimoremd.com/">http://www.baltimoremd.com/</a>   | Baltimore's Home Page                                 |
| <a href="http://www.baltimorehon.com/">http://www.baltimorehon.com/</a> | Home of the Baltimore Lexicon                         |
| <a href="http://www.zerobeat.net">http://www.zerobeat.net</a>           | Home of The QRP Web Ring<br>and Drake Mail List Pages |

Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:08:02 -0500  
From: Fred Lesnick <flesnick@tbaytel.net>  
To: wb2vuo@juno.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89464] Re: That blasted HAAAAHA virus again!  
Message-ID: <3A6E2AF2.6064CF56@tbaytel.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This will tell you all about that damned virus...I have it sent to me through various reflectors at least 3 times a day, one day 3 times in one hour.....

Fred  
VE3FAL  
[http://vil.mcafee.com/dispVirus.asp?virus\\_k=98873&](http://vil.mcafee.com/dispVirus.asp?virus_k=98873&)

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wb2vuo@juno.com wrote:
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> other than Ham Radio-related?
>
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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:13:39 -0500  
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Cc: <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
Subject: [89465] Re: PIC dev environment  
Message-ID: <01a001c085a2\$e634f3c0\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Rod

Wow - I sure wouldn't spend all that money.

OK, a C compiler would be nice, but the sorts of things you do with the PIC don't tend to be all that complex, so the C compiler isn't such a huge win. There are only 35 instructions in the assembler so it ain't so hard to learn. All the docs can be downloaded free from Microchip. I'm a died in the wool C programmer, but after a couple years of playing with PICs I still haven't felt a burning need for the compiler.

The =free= IDE and assembler from Microchip are quite nice. Even includes a simulator.

You can build a 16F84 programmer for next to nothing. I did a calculation for our local club a few months back, we were thinking of a group buy, and calculated that, except for the power connector, which would be shack-specific, and the DB-25, which most folks probably have on some old computer cable, the total cost is about \$7 at RADIO SHACK prices. Chances are, you have all the parts in the junkbox except for the 18 pin socket.

Realistically you might have to buy a couple regulators, maybe something else, so even if you spend \$5 - versus \$200??? hmmm....

Take a look at my website, the NoPPP page. Also, go to the Midland club site <http://www.qsl.net/w8kea> and look at some of the links on the December 7th meeting notes. (hmm looks like qsl.net may be down so maybe tomorrow night).

I would go with the Easy Pic'ns tho, even if it isnt \*our\* Dave Benson.

The one thing the low budget setup is lacking is the ability to program the PIC in-circuit. You need to remove the chip from the test circuit and insert it into the programmer to make changes. This can be a little tedious if you are as prone to errors as I am. There is a programmer for around \$100 that allows you to program the part in circuit - that would be a nice feature.

Better yet - download the stuff, build the programmer, burn a PIC or two to



blink some LEDs on your protoboard, THEN decide whether you need to spend the \$200.

72/73 de WB8RCR      <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>  
didileydadidah      QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2001 10:31 PM  
Subject: PIC dev environment

> PIC Guru's,  
>  
> Need advice.  
>  
> I've been plowing through PIC postings and documentation, and I decided  
that  
> the PICSTARTplus kit  
>  
> <http://www.microchip.com/10/tools/picmicro/program/picstart/index.htm>  
>  
> from Microchip, seems like the best deal for around \$200. As I understand  
it  
> I'll get:  
>  
> o The HW programmer "thingy"  
>  
> o ANSI-C complier, "lite" version  
>  
> o ASM  
>  
> o Dev environment (MPLAB IDE)  
>  
> o Windows based "simulator" environment  
>  
> o Doc's  
>  
> o Cables  
>  
> To all that I'll add the David Benson book "Easy Pickin's".  
>  
> Before I thump down \$200-250, I just want to make sure it's a good set-up  
to  
> start with, not missing anything important...yada yada yada. Anything else  
I

> want, need, should have, be nice to have??  
>  
> In some stange way this reminds me of my first Erector Set.  
>  
> 73, Rod NØRC  
> Fort Collins, CO  
> -----  
> Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at <http://explorer.msn.com>  
>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:24:04 -0500  
From: Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89466] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <3A6E2EB4.492024A9@tampabay.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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Every amateur in the US should be an ARRL member. That would lower dues and many more services would be provided.

Don't like what they are doing or they way they do it? Join and make your voice be heard.

ARRL membership is much more than a magazine subscription. What's your excuse for not being a member?

73  
Paul K4FB

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:25:49 -0500  
From: "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, "Fpqrp Groups" <fpqrp-1@mpna.com>  
Subject: [89467] Preliminary ARRL Board Report  
Message-ID: <GAECLOGOMILPLBGKKPEGIEJCCCAA.crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thought I would like to throw my comments in the ring! Here are my comments!

-----Original Message-----

From: Charles Mabbott [mailto:crmabbott@mediaone.net]  
Sent: Monday, January 22, 2001 8:23 PM  
To: ARRL GL Division Clubs; ARRL GL Division List; WB8BGY@arrl.org; Bart Jahnke; Rosalie White  
Subject: RE: [GLADS] Preliminary ARRL Board Report

It sounds to me like the additional funding is going toward the 'professionals' and how much is actually going toward keeping the code around, our bands, and so on. Don't get me wrong but based on past experience in dealing with marketing folks, the reason they picked marketing because they never seemed to have the ability to get a real job. But they have a great line of .....

I seem to be getting a mixed message, the ARRL never seems to acknowledge in any of their documentation that the code is a viable mode of operation, but they always try to tell us code folks [those who use and enjoy it] what we want to hear. I hear the talk, but have not saw the walk!

This "Morse requirement likely will be dropped from Article S25 of the international Radio Regulations at the 2003 World Radiocommunication Conference." does not sound to me like is being supported.

Now lets remove the sales and marketing wording, "But the Board held the line on retaining a domestic Morse requirement...." So by the time the next session rolls around and the major hardware vendors have had a say, what is the requirement and where is the 'line' going to be? We must not remove an ability to communicate reliably in all conditions.

The SSB and FM modes does not work under all conditions and why does not anyone come out an say it. Because we have found it to be proven time and time. But we are not getting support from our ARRL in this area.

But our ARRL groups are always there when pictures are taken and the media is present. But if a real issue comes up and messages are sent to them directly where did they go? In addition, I am concerned the real work might be missed.

A concerned Amateur

73,

Chuck Mabbott  
AA8VS

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 17:21:18 -0800  
From: Eric Swartz WA6HHQ - Elecraft <eric@elecraft.com>  
To: Elecraft mail list <elecraft@qth.net>, QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>, GQRP  
<gqrp@egroups.com>  
Subject: [89468] New App notes on Elecraft page  
Message-ID: <3A6E2E0E.EA377E37@elecraft.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

We have just added a couple of new application notes to our Builder Resources page.

1. Using the K1 with a 9.6-volt Battery Pack (by N6KR)
2. A new capacitor marking chart (including a description of the somewhat ambiguous two and three digit markings on caps below 100 pF.)

You can find them at:  
<http://www.elecraft.com>

Click on the link to the left for "Builder Resources".

73, Eric WA6HHQ

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:37:42 -0700 (MST)  
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: <K2UD@aol.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89469] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.31.0101231832050.875-100000@cannac.ampr.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

The ARRL can take any stand they care to. At the next world radio thing they WILL remove knowledge of CW from use of any frequency. And in short order, like 2-5 years FCC will ask to remove the code requirement from being required for any ticket.

This doesn't mean the CW segments on HF will dissapear, but they might get a bit smaller. We can continue to use CW and thump for larger band segments.

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:42:37 -0500  
From: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brecnet.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89470] Re: Preliminary ARRL Board Report  
Message-ID: <005d01c085a6\$eecd60\$405730d1@victor>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I spend a lot of time poking around on the internet to see what amateurs are doing in other countries. I learn other countries are lowering their code requirement because the U.S. did. The power of the internet and what we can learn about who is kidding who.

Vic AD8K

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:44:33 -0500  
From: Ron D Doyle <n8var@juno.com>  
To: fpqrp-1@mpna.com, qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89471] Cub Fox  
Message-ID: <20010123.204438.-437871.0.n8var@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, I've let this get late:( Sorry guys.

I will be the Cub Fox Wednesday January 24th. I will try to start at 7.141 and maybe go up to 7.143. Mac had good luck at 7.137 so may try

there but first choice will be 7.141.

I will be running 5 watts and my speed will be 10 wpm. The rig is a Ten Tec Omni C driving a dipole up about 20 feet.

I will call cq cq fox de n8var k

my exchange will be: RST, OH Ron 5W ur-call

your exchange should be rst, st, name, power

I will then respons with tu qrz or tu qrz de fox.

I will start promptly at 9:00pm est and end at 11:00pm est.

Good luck!

72 de Ron, N8VAR

Ron Doyle  
n8var@arrl.net

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 21:00:12 -0500

From: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@bretnet.com>

To: <w4foa@voy.net>, <K2UD@aol.com>

Cc: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>, <cw@qth.net>

Subject: [89472] Re: [CW] League's stand on CW

Message-ID: <006e01c085a9\$643165a0\$405730d1@victor>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Oh, are they in color now?

Vic AD8K

>

>That's a lot of money for a monthly color catalog.

>Tony, W4FOA  
>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:05:56 -0600  
From: Bill Stietenroth <k5zty@juno.com>  
To: J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk, w6toy@erols.com, plburbank@kih.net, hamjoel@juno.com  
Cc: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89473] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <20010123.200614.-3870917.0.k5zty@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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Bill, K5ZTY  
Houston, TX

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 21:05:04 -0500  
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
To: <K2UD@aol.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89474] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <006301c085aa\$146b8860\$0600a8c0@dad>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> Did you hear what the League did recently? They:  
>

Come on, if we really needed the league to justify and defend CW, then it's already dead.

If it needs defended and a champion, why worry about beating a dead horse.

Let's not get into the lame pro/anti CW arguments.

If you like CW, WORK IT!! SHOW people how much fun it is. Make sure the CW subbands have someone there, making noise, doing things, and doing it in CW! But don't do the whining that we're losing support for our sacred mode.

If it stands on its own, so be it. But it won't stand period with phoney support. Or it will only stand for a short time, and the crash will take more with it.

Two years ago I got into a hot argument because I wouldn't worship at the CW altar the way SOME people think all HAMS should. Know what happened? All those HAMS who were publically pro-CW made a noise when the changes came but quietly sighed relief that they got their upgrades.

Face facts, and not about the merits of CW, but about the HAM population. Most are turned off by CW. And they'll continue to be turned off as long as the arguments continue about pro/anti or the lame arguments like "What if my car goes over a cliff and the mic is broken..." stuff.

SHOW people that it is FUN!! USE it. Make other people who see you use it want to use it too! But DON'T try to force feed it down peoples throat.

I really do believe that first off, CW will go as a requirement in the future.

I ALSO believe that CW is probably at a 'lull' right now. There are a LOT of HAMS without CW, and they really are ripe to grab and show how fun it is. But do it right, NOT by making it a something from an initiation.

Mike

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 02:13:34 +0000  
From: alan.kaul@att.net  
To: crmabbott@mediaone.net  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89475] Re: Preliminary ARRL Board Report



Message-ID:

<20010124021334.FXAI2072.mtiwmhc22.worldnet.att.net@webmail.worldnet.att.net>

The full ARRL board report is at the following website:

<http://www.arrl.org/news/stories/2001/01/22/2/?nc=1>

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Alan Kaul W6RCL e-mail: [w6rcl@amsat.org](mailto:w6rcl@amsat.org)

<http://worldnet.att.net/~alan.kaul/index.html>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:17:07 -0600

From: "James Parsons" <[res075cz@gte.net](mailto:res075cz@gte.net)>

To: <[k5zty@juno.com](mailto:k5zty@juno.com)>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>

Subject: [89476] Re: 30 Metres

Message-ID: <016c01c085ab\$c0beb780\$7c640304@vz.dsl.genuity.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;

charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

When a Dxpedition is operating, the immediate frequency and other frequencies very close are busy. But the rest of the band is available to those who want to rag-chew, handle traffic, etc. When a full scale contest is going on, the band is useless for anything else. At least when that happens on 40/20 meters, we can go to 30 meters to rag chew or do non-contest activities. Lets keep it that way!

There are not that many QRPers, I guess, but we are growing!

Jim, K5ROV

James (Jim) Parsons, K5ROV, CMSgt, USAF, Ret., Ham for 60 yrs.

[k5rov@arrl.net](mailto:k5rov@arrl.net), QCWA, ARCI, Fists, ARRL, ARMS.

EX: W1RLA, K5FBB, K4FEO, SV0WN (CRETE), SV0WN (RHODES),

DL4NC, DL4JP, KA2FC (JAPAN), KA2JP (JAPAN).

JOHN 3:16

----- Original Message -----

From: "Bill Stietenroth" <[k5zty@juno.com](mailto:k5zty@juno.com)>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>

Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 20:05 PM  
Subject: Re: 30 Metres

> There are DXCC DXpeditions on 30 meters all the time. DXCC is the  
> ultimate contest to work all the DXCC entities. Scores are kept by the  
> ARRL and awards are given and results reported in a yearly directory.  
> How would a QRP fox hunt be any different than working a big pile up on a  
> DXpedition??? Or do DXers get an exemption?  
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> Bill, K5ZTY  
> Houston, TX

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:18:47 -0800  
From: "John Moriarity" <k6qq@hdo.net>  
To: <crabbott@mediaone.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-  
l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89477] Re: about tuner losses  
Message-ID: <005201c085ab\$fc7b1340\$77414cd1@johnmori>

> 1KW!!! is this California QRP? Did I miss that meeting  
> or what.....  
> 73 ES oo  
> Chuck AA8VS  
>  
> -----Original Message-----  
> From: owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf  
Of  
> John Moriarity  
> Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 4:19 PM  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: Re: about tuner losses  
>  
>  
> "For 1 kW, the  
> dissipation becomes 110 W -- significant power."

Heck, when I lived in WA, I knew guys that used  
a pair of 3-500s for their driver stage!

72,

John, K6QQ (powered by a 4AH gel cell)

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:24:35 -0500  
From: Frank Valentine <valentinef@earthlink.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89478] Re: Silver Plating Antenna Wire  
Message-ID: <3A6E20C2.5CF0CEF0@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

George Gingell wrote:

> I forgot the original Subject line, but the idea of Silver Plating for...  
> snip...  
>  
> Some one here mentioned that insulated wire was quieter. I agree,  
> probably because the strands soon oxidize and/or corrode and start rubbing  
> together making their own noise. Ever wonder if maybe the oxidation is  
> also causing RFI along with your signals? We know it does at VHF, so why  
> not HF as well? ... snip ...  
>

I was thinking of "precipitation static" as the prime factor... the reason (so I've heard)  
that they sell fiberglass coated CB whips for mobile use.

72 / 73 ... Frank Valentine WD6FIX (Hartwood, VA)

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:26:35 -0600 (CST)  
From: Bruce Rattray <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>  
To: Mike WA8BXN <hubby2k@hotmail.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89479] Re: harbor freight punch  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1010123202537.13408A-100000@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Anyone have a picture of one of these please?....I'd like to try and find

one here in Saskatchewan, Canada....thank you....

..72/73 - Bruce (VE5RC+VE5QRP) QRP-C#1 QRP-L#886 ARCI#9683 Zombie#272  
A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - SOC #11 & #12 - Whiner#10 -  
"QRP! How sweet it is!" oo#148 "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

On Tue, 23 Jan 2001, Mike WA8BXN wrote:

> Currently on sale for \$14.95, the one used to make Manhattan Pads. No  
> notation that they were not in stock either.

> -----  
> Get your FREE download of MSN Explorer at <http://explorer.msn.com>  
>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 20:39:47 -0600  
From: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>  
To: n2icz@hotmail.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89480] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <3A6E4073.43EE@companet.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Larry Spinner wrote:

> Would a 30 meter Foxhunt be considered a contest?

Yes, incontestably! :)

Let's keep contests, or faux un-contests, off the only bands (WARC79)  
where nearly all the QSOs are still non-combative and a gentleman's  
agreement has existed for 22 years to keep it that way.

73,

Mike / KK5F

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 21:55:23 -0500  
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89481] FOX: There's joy here in river city  
Message-ID: <020001c085b1\$1c905320\$010044c0@baycty1.mi.home.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

This has been a terrible fox season here at WB8RCR. This consistent 0200 time has been bad - in previous seasons, we almost always got lucky earlier. The band seems to give out here shortly before 2. Discouraging results early in the season made it hard to get motivated to even try, and a very busy time at work, and a hundred other projects meant we've made relatively fewer attempts as well.

This weekend I spent most of the weekend on work stuff, getting ready for 2 days of meetings (aargh). But my 2N2/40 was sitting on the shelf looking lonely, and I did manage to dust it off, give it a quick tweak, and make a few Q's over the weekend.

Tonight, I got home from work whipped after all those meetings, and spent yet more time on work stuff. But the old 2N was sitting there all primed and hadn't been out on a hunt yet this season. You know how it is. You're trying to wade through some dumb vendor manual, and she sits there giving you 'that look'. I couldn't ignore her, after all, she's been a mighty fine radio.

Well, good choice. The old girl nabbed Jim a mere 26 minutes into the hunt, and there were a ton of hounds to compete with. She always has been a fox killer, and she's still got it in her!

72/73 de WB8RCR      <http://members.home.com/wb8rcr/index.htm>  
didileydadidah      QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:30:13 -0500  
From: "Larry Przyborowski" <k3peg@yahoo.com>  
To: <rattray@gpfn.sk.ca>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89482] Re: harbor freight punch  
Message-ID: <000901c085b5\$f85a0dc0\$0482accf@master>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
  
Subject: Re: harbor freight punch

> Anyone have a picture of one of these please?....I'd like to try and find

> one here in Saskatchewan, Canada....thank you....  
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> A-1 Operator Club - 10/10# 944 - SOC #11 & #12 - Whiner#10 -  
> "QRP! How sweet it is!" oo#148 "I am da man wit "DAH" paddle!"

Sure... see -->

<http://www.harborfreight.com/cpi/taf/Displayitem.taf?itemnumber=44060>

72 de Larry - K3PEG

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Do You Yahoo!?

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:31:32 -0500  
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
To: ".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>  
Cc: ")W.D.(Doc)Lindsey/K0EVZ" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
Subject: [89483] FOX Jim N0UR on 7.042.49  
Message-ID: <200101232231\_MC2-C2D4-197@compuserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Disposition: inline

Gang:

Jim N0UR is on there right now, working a big pileup of hunters. And the= re  
may be good news for someone--the band is going long. So even if you cou= ld  
not hear him earlier, go try again. He was 579+ here in Bismarck at the  
start of the hunt at 0200Z, but QSB 449 by 0245. Jim has terrific skills=  
and one of the best ears around, so everyone give him a call tonight.

72,  
--Doc/K0EVZ  
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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:40:42 -0800 (PST)  
From: Jim <ku4qw@yahoo.com>  
To: qrp-L <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89484] Fox 30 Meter (NO NO NO NO!!!)  
Message-ID: <20010124034042.16696.qmail@web2302.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

I hear lids trying to work dx on ssb around 7,060 all  
the time, want to join them?

=====

72 es CUL                      Jim, KU4QW  
KU4QW@yahoo.com

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<http://auctions.yahoo.com/>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:42:50 -0800  
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
To: w5usj@globeco.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89485] Re: That blasted HAHAAHA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
Message-ID: <3A6E4F3A.C461F418@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I filter all the hahaha stuff to my trash folder where it never gets  
opened (along with a few other things (messages from #@\$!%, etc.).

Phil W7OX

Chuck Carpenter wrote:

>  
> Make sure to delete the attachments. That's the part that does the damage.  
>  
> I use Eudora and It's simple to go to the attachments folder and delete the  
> executable file first. Then I go back and delete the file. Don't know how  
> attachments work with other email programs. Just don't click on anything  
> in high-lighted blue.  
>  
> I get them on various addresses I use and they may have started when I did  
> a reply-to-all to something one of my (grownup) kids forwarded to me with

> dozens of names attached. One of those hoax messages that I wanted to  
> educate all those folks with... 8^)..  
>  
> I get them on QRP-L and also the VHF and 6-Club reflectors too.  
>  
> Chuck Carpenter, EM22cv, Point, Rains County, Texas  
> NETXQRP Club -- <http://www.netxqrp.org>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 18:40:27 -0800  
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89486] Re: resistor question  
Message-ID: <20010123184027.B1504@oz.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

On Tue, Jan 23, 2001 at 06:40:16PM -0500, preacher102677@juno.com wrote:  
> Could I use a wirewound as a "bleeder" for the capacitors for when I turn  
> off my rig?

Certainly!

--  
Bob Nielsen, N7XY  
Bainbridge Island, WA  
nielsen@oz.net  
<http://www.oz.net/~nielsen>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 19:48:12 -0800  
From: "Trevor Jacobs" <fxtech@earthlink.net>  
To: <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89487] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
Message-ID: <001101c085b8\$838b6040\$3be9b3d1@tjacobs>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey Doug,

That's a great idea for a project. Two quick suggestion. First off, how about a DDS VFO for the unit. Would make for a very stable transceiver! Also, Dave Fifield did a wonderful job on the SMK-1, maybe he would consider the



project if he's not tied up. I'd be glad to be a beta tester ;- ) Boy, Doug, you shure know how to make a guys mouth start watering!!! Take care!

73

Trev

KG6CYN

----- Original Message -----

From: Doug Hendricks <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 1:54 PM

Subject: Repackaging the NC40A

> Allan, I have thought for years that the NC40A would be an ideal candidate  
> to convert to surface mount parts. Why not see if you can find a friend  
on

> the list who knows how to lay out boards with surface mount parts? Work  
> with him and see what you can come up with. I bet 95% of the parts would  
be

> available in surface mount. I would suggest that you use 1206 sized  
parts.

> A couple of guys that I have talked with about this suggest that it would  
be

> a board about the size of a credit card, especially if you put parts on  
both

> sides of the board. The rig should literally fit in your shirt pocket and  
> be ideal for backpacking. I would use a through hole part for the final,  
as

> it would be easier to heatsink. I think that all of the IC's that the  
NC40A

> uses are available in SOIC, in fact, the 602's are only available in that  
> package that I know of now.

>

> So, how about it gang? Steve Weber knows a lot about laying out surface  
> mount rigs, are there others of you out there? If so, get in touch with  
> Allan and keep us informed as to your progress. 72, Doug, KI6DS

>

>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:51:29 -0500

From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>

To: ".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>

Subject: [89488] FOX Jim N0UR on 7.042.63

Message-ID: <200101232251\_MC2-C2DE-D56@compuserve.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Disposition: inline

Gang:

Just checked on Jim N0UR....and he has made a slight QSY to 7.042.63. I  
copy him solid, with a bit of rapid QSB. He was calling CQ FOX at 0340Z.=

72,  
--Doc/K0EVZ

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:54:13 -0500  
From: "Larry Przyborowski" <k3peg@yahoo.com>  
To: <k8iqy@qsl.net>, <n2apb@erols.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-  
l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89489] The 4017 Xverter kit is here!  
Message-ID: <001301c085b9\$54619860\$0482accf@master>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
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Hi Jim, George and gang,

I received my "Bag-O-Parts" 4017 transverter kit in the mail today. It  
looks great unassembled, and the instruction booklet is fantastic! My  
thanks to George Heron, The NJ-QRP club and everyone else associated with  
designing, testing, kitting, writing, proofreading, illustrating,  
documenting, parts counting, PCB cutting, bagging, etc. and bringing this  
kit to life. I thank you one and all!

Now for some free construction time... get off the internet Larry...

72 de Larry - K3PEG

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Do You Yahoo!?  
Get your free @yahoo.com address at <http://mail.yahoo.com>

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:57:33 -0500  
From: "George Heron" <n2apb@erols.com>  
To: "NJQRP" <NJQRP@njqrp.org>, "QRP-L" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89490] NJQRP now accepts PayPal payments  
Message-ID: <010901c085b9\$cb4d7930\$135daccf@ghlpt4>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi all -

Just a quickie here to let you know that the NJQRP Club now accepts payments via PayPal.

So if you want to ...

- subscribe to QRP Homebrewer; or
- renew an existing QRP Homebrewer sub; or
- order a PSK-80 "Warbler" Kit; or
- order a Squirt Antenna Kit; or
- reserve a spot at Atlanticon 2001 QRP Forum; or
- order a PSK-20 Specialty Parts Kit; or
- order past years' Atlanticon Proceeding; or
- order SMK-1 Enclosure Kits ...

just log into PayPal (<http://www.paypal.com>) and send appropriate funds to us by specifying:

George Heron  
n2apb@amsat.org

See the NJQRP website (<http://www.njqrp.org>) for pricing and availability details for each of the items mentioned above.

As always, thanks for everyone's support and encouragement on all the NJQRP Club projects.

72/73,

-- George N2APB, n2apb@amsat.org  
    and  
    Joe N2CX, n2cx@voicenet.com

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:58:24 -0500  
From: Ed Kessler <edkess@epix.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89491] Vernier Drive Sources?  
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20010123225437.009f30b0@mailhost.epix.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

My winter project is the Progressive Receiver by W7Z0I as published in the Handbook several years ago. Presently listening to very clean 80m CW/SSB signals. This is a great receiver project and I highly recommend it.

I need a vernier drive, about 10:1 to one or so. Preferably, a vernier dial, like the Velvet Verniers. Does anybody have one for sale? Could you recommend a source?

Thanks,  
Ed  
AA3SJ

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 23:52:50 -0500  
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
To: ".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89492] Wanted--Preamp for Beverage  
Message-ID: <200101232352\_MC2-C2DE-F47@compuserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
          charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Disposition: inline

Gang:

Anyone have a spare pre-amplifier for a Beverage antenna? I would like to  
o  
experiment with this type of antenna on 40 Metres, but need a preamp to  
bring up the gain from the antenna. Anyone have one you would part with?=  
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If not, do you know of a source? Thanks in advance for your assistance.

72,  
--Doc/K0EVZ

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 22:59:44 -0600  
From: Don <dwittlic@apci.net>  
To: deni@gm3skn.fsnet.co.uk  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89493] Re: Corroded Feedline & Snow on Ladder Line  
Message-ID: <3A6E6140.DEDDFFE1@apci.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Deni and all,  
Here may be one source of porcelain spreader insulators as  
well as other shapes.  
They list spreaders in 2, 4, and 6 inch lengths.

<http://www.daburn.com/10-62.html>

I have no connection or interest in the company  
and have not researched beyond seeing the insulators in  
their  
product page.

Don WN9V

DeniGm3skn wrote:

>  
> Charles and all, do you know of a source of good commercial open wire line  
> spacers ?  
>.....

> .....  
> 73, Deni GM3SKN Shetland Islands UK  
> K2 1188 Fists# 2817 ARS# 827  
> \_ \_ .. .. \_ \_

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 21:28:34 -0800  
From: "Robert Marlan" <rsm@otology.com>  
To: "Elecraft List" <elecraft@qth.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89494] charging 12 cell NI MH packs...  
Message-ID: <005f01c085c6\$7f59bc20\$0401a8c0@mocha>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thinking of making a 12 cell NIMH pack to use for portble operation of K1.  
Should give a voltage of about 14.5 volts.

Would like to find a small charger that will work with a 12 cell pack.  
Peak detection would be nice. Searched everywhere -  
can't find chargers that will work with more than 8 cells.

Any ideas / suggestions?

Robert KA6NOC/7  
rsm@otology.com

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Date: Tue, 23 Jan 2001 21:39:00 -0800  
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
To: Robert Marlan <rsm@otology.com>  
Cc: Elecraft List <elecraft@qth.net>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-  
l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89495] Re: [Elecraft] charging 12 cell NI MH packs...  
Message-ID: <3A6E6A74.7F361122@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Robert Marlan wrote:

>  
> Thinking of making a 12 cell NIMH pack to use for portble operation of K1.  
> Should give a voltage of about 14.5 volts.  
>

I suspect that the initial voltage of 12 NiMH cells would exceed the  
specified max voltage for the K1.

I use 10 NiMH cells. I charge them (4 at a time and fairly quickly)  
with a Maha C-204 (I think!) charger.

Phil W7OX

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:21:11 GMT  
From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>

To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89496] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <G7NLJD00.Z5X@mail.usd.edu>

Hi Roy and gang: Great post! Lot of good points and a lot of great humor!

I think someone else mentioned birthday balloons as a useful tool for getting wires over pine trees. There is another use in a restricted area, although the bill will come every so often just like the electric or gas bill.

This is as simple as it gets. You get a birthday balloon at the local gift store or where ever you can find one. Then secure your selected length of wire, such as 1/2-wavelength, to the balloon. Don't forget to anchor the loose end. For "on the air" periods, just open the window and fly the balloon, closing the window on the piece of anchor wood. Attach the anchor end to your tuner, the tuner to your xmtr via whatever length of coax reaches, work out a ground such as the cold water pipe in the kitchen or bath, and commence operating. If the wind isn't too bad, you'll have a slopper, if the wind is bad, a horizontal, and if no wind, a vertical. Of course, if the wind changes during a QSO you'r signal will either go up, down, or die. When done working dx, roll'er back in. These balloons usually will hold enough helium to float for several days. Then, go buy a new balloon. We QRP'rs tend to be cheapskates -- a circuit is roundly condemned if it uses more than 2 parts over \$1.00 or more. But hey, you can't take it with you, and the balloon-hung antenna is perfect. So the landlord comes over around 4:22 during a Sat aft QRP contest, pounds on the door, and asks "What the h\*\*\* is that balloon doing up there?" Well, it's a birthday balloon, and your friend in the next block's birthday is today. Then youkeep spinning stuff. It is not a permanent structure and could probably get by the CC&R small type.

My sting in Acton MA in the third floor of an apt. worked ok for 40m because I had a closet access to the attic. A fullsize 40m dipole left a lot of space for longer. But that wouldn't do for 160. So with the 160 contest approaching, I decided I couldn't take it with me, got a weather balloon at an army surplus outlet or somewhere, and shelled out the incredibly huge sum of \$36 for my own regular big helium tank. I had to deflate the balloon on off-days. It worked nicely until someone cut it loose after around 0300! Still have the tank. Don't know if the helium is still in there or not.

Balloons are fun in themselves, so the expenditure can be doubly rationalized. Fun flying balloons, fun working QRP!

72, Ade

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:26:51 +0700  
From: "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89497] Virus propagation and QRP-L  
Message-ID: <00f601c085cf\$8d497560\$ebee92ca@donnysirait>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dear Friends,

I am not a computer wiz or the expert of QRP-L  
however to my understanding QRP-L never propagate  
virus (at least as for now) since the only posting format  
accepted is text no bin or hex!

So what is the connection???

Probably an active member of the list (one who post  
and replies often) were infected by the virus and  
the virus use the address book of the member to send  
the virus to everyone recorded on the address book.

I don't know of other e-mail programs but Outlook express  
I use by default include the sender's address into the  
address book.

Please be aware that if you get infected by a computer  
virus you may not realize that you are propagating the virus  
since it was done in the background.

I recieved a KAK virus from a friend who I know will never  
do that intentionally and only realized that he was infected  
until I told him.

Hope this clarify how things are going with QRP-L, this list  
is great and let us make it even greater.

vy 72 de YB1B0D  
Donny Sirait  
Bekasi Indonesia

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:34:21 GMT  
From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89498] Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
Message-ID: <G7NM5C00.Q6I@mail.usd.edu>

Hi gang:



George W5YR hit the nail on the head when he said a good technical discussion is always very informative as well implementing one of the primary objectives of QRP-L at its founding.

I, for one, don't have a BSEE or anything else in science. So, I REALLY APPRECIATE these professionals taking the time to write really lucid, correct, and watered-down-to-our-level explanations.

The value of their responses is inestimable. I've studied tons of articles and books, and more often than not, the particular twist or answer that I am looking for is not dealt with. The great thing about having these professionals posting is that one can get an explanation tailored exactly to the question or problem that has been raised. It's like having a reflector for the emotionally disturbed where a bunch of shrinks answer the questions. It save a lot of time and \$\$\$!

So, I'll keep reading'em and hoping they don't stop.

72, Ade

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:45:38 GMT  
From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89499] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <G7NM0400.768@mail.usd.edu>

Hi gang:

I think we could do it. Many DXpeditions set up shop on some 30m freq, develop a huge pile-up which persists for up to several hours, and run'em until the well goes dry.

The FOX hunt is exactly the same -- many try to work one desired station.

A contest, and I think this general statment is true, involves the objective of many stns working mni other stns.

So, my judgment is that a 30m FOX hunt would not violate any rules or gentlemen's agreement any more than does a DX stn runnnig'em.

So...????

72, Ade

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:49:38 +0700  
From: "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89500] Help: Harbor freight hand punch weight??  
Message-ID: <011101c085d1\$e1bea280\$ebee92ca@donnysirait>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dear Friends,  
Does anybody knows what is the shipping weight  
of the punch?  
Probably the shipping cost to YB is more that the  
item itself??

vy 72 de YB1B0D  
Donny Sirait  
Bekasi Indonesia

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 04:15:48 -0700  
From: "Steve/n0tu" <n0tu@webaccess.net>  
To: <aweiss@usd.edu>  
Cc: "QRP-L" <QRP-L@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89501] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <01c901c085f7\$01bf3b60\$6a211d82@sg2939h.col.hp.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

-----Original Message-----

From: Adrian Weiss <aweiss@usd.edu>  
>So, my judgment is that a 30m FOX hunt would not violate any rules or  
>gentlemen's agreement any more than does a DX stn runnnig'em.  
>  
>So...????  
>  
>72, Ade

Agree!

Why limit the fun quotient to primarily 40 meters? After all, Fox hunting is  
really the training ground for learning and honing ur DX chasing and

operating skills in general! AND low-use freq-segments in time may go the way of 10m! Granted it's great to have a quiet place to hold a QSO w/o contest mania thumping ur agc. BUT a 2-hr event once a week (month?) is no comparison to a band FULL of 'testers for a FULL weekend. What about using the upper end of 30m which is rarely used?

Steve/n0tu

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:04:37 +0000  
From: Stewart Bryant <stewart.bryant@virgin.net>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89502] Re: Small TX loops still amaze!  
Message-ID: <3A6EB6C4.3B288698@virgin.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Some people have asked for more details on the G3LHZ loop.  
If anyone wants more details, send mail and I will respond with  
a .gif file.

73

Stewart

Stewart Bryant wrote:

> A feed method proposed and demonstrated by Prof Mike Underhill, G3LHZ  
> at the RSGB 2000 HF Convention is to make a long gamma match.  
>  
> Ground one side of the tuning cap, and connect the outer of the  
> coax feed to this point. Connect a length of ordinary pvc wire to the  
> coax centre, and loosely wrap it round the loop and clip it to the  
> loop with an alligator clip about 3/4 of the way round the loop (ie  
> the mirror image of the place where you would expect for a gamma  
> match. This match is much less critical than the normal gamma match  
> arrangement.  
>  
> Also note that at QRP powers there is no need for anything special  
> in the way of a capacitor. G4FYY and myself have been working  
> stations in Europe on 20m using a 12 inch diameter loop made from  
> 3/32 dia wire and an ordinary broadcast cap, in the arrangement above.  
> The loops tune 7MHz through 28MHz and we have been running 40W  
> with the loop sitting on top of the rig.  
>  
> One final note, the assymetry in the loop feed seems to give the antenna

> a useful front to back ratio.  
>  
> 73  
>  
> Stewart G3YSX

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 04:42:28 -0700  
From: "Francis Callahan" <colcal@srv.net>  
To: <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89503] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <002401c085fa\$bb3f9b40\$b0dd070c@callahan>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was ARRL member for 15 years until I wrote 3 letters and never recieved a acknowledgement or reply so figgured they didn't need my money or membership.  
72 Cal KF7ET

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Paul Womble" <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 6:24 PM  
Subject: Re: League's stand on CW

> Every amateur in the US should be an ARRL member. That would lower  
> dues and many more services would be provided.  
>  
> Don't like what they are doing or they way they do it? Join and make  
> your voice be heard.  
>  
> ARRL membership is much more than a magazine subscription. What's your  
> excuse for not being a member?  
>  
> 73  
> Paul K4FB  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 03:40:07 -0800 (PST)  
From: Doug Bankston <dougbankston1@yahoo.com>

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89504] (OT)Help with Sick Knwd TS-930  
Message-ID: <20010124114007.12703.qmail@web4305.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

GM all,

I've got a sick Kenwood TS-930 (With the service manual) & need to ship it off to somebody to fix her up..

Can anyone recommend a reputable Kenwood Repair guy, who does repairs out of his home?

Thanks es 72  
Doug W4IDW  
Stafford, VA

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<http://auctions.yahoo.com/>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:34:17 +0700  
From: "Donny Sirait" <dsirait@centrin.net.id>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89505] ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <000701c08600\$f3d63e40\$ecee92ca@donnysirait>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Dear Guys & Gals,

It is always amazing to see how people react to something which is the norm in the past and suddenly not anymore and start to look for something to complain for.

I think Morse code will no longer a requirement for any amateur radio org in the world in the not so far future. Like it or not we have to accept this as part of the future like steam engine as

part of yesteryear industrial machine, Otherwise  
we have to wait for the invention of the time machine  
to bring us back to the past.

The issue is how we who love CW react to this fact.  
I think if we want to preserve the art of CW (and the  
bands too) is to use it and to elmer others to use  
it. I see there are lots of CW experts there living  
just in their hole and never try to be friendly to others  
in sending their code (isn't we are supposed to comply  
to our amateur radio code of ethics? >> friendly)  
Very often CW newbie never try CW anymore just  
because the experts did not want to QRS (or probably  
never owned a straight key) just to show to the newbie  
that he/she is the 70 wpm expert and have achieved  
that skill by a nearly whole life practice?

Com' on Guys & Gals there are things that takes a lot  
of energy to fight to directly (i.e. like us here, how hams  
have to compete with illegal stations nearly on every  
V/HFham bands) The way to overcome it with less stress  
and lots of fun is to use it (use the mode, use the band etc.)  
and contribute. Why wait for others (or organization) to do it  
for us just because we pay (or it is there) our dues?  
I am quite fortunate to pay my dues to the ARRL before  
our monetary crisis and thus a member till at least 2007,  
Should I have to complain the ARRL for what is happening  
in this part of the world? Or then I have been a good  
supporter of the American hams then I have to ask the  
ARRL for a special supporter award (just kidding).

So let us use the band and mode we love and make  
ham radio a better world for us.

Now back to QRP and homebrewing.

vy 72 de YB1B0D  
Donny Sirait  
Bekasi Indonesia.

PS: No flames please, you'll lost much energy by flaming me  
it has to go a long way hi hi.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 07:53:09 -0500

From: "Brian B. Riley, N1BQ" <n1bq@wulfden.org>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89506] RE: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <LPBBJAGIPFHKPJENAKLOEEJPDIAA.n1bq@wulfden.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

It seems to me that their position is just an acceptance of the reality. All the rants and raves in the world from the, relatively speaking, few remaining brass pounders is not going to change what most likely is going to happen at WARC 2003 to the CW requirements. I consider it a good omen that they, the ARRL, still feel that the US should retain a certain minimal CW requirement even if the international treaty drops it ... just my \$.02

> -----Original Message-----

> From: James Parsons  
> Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 19:17 PM  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: Re: League's stand on CW

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> And if we didn't have the League, guess who would have our  
> frequencies?

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: <K2UD@aol.com>  
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
> Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 18:08 PM  
> Subject: League's stand on CW

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> > Did you hear what the League did recently? They:

> >

> > 1.) Voted to increase dues

> >

> > 2.) Agreed that CW will likely not be an international  
> requirement at the

> > next WARC, so why vote for it? OK for the states though.

> >

> > 3.) Hired a bunch of folks for various positions to  
> strengthen amateur

> > radio's position (see #1 above).

> >

> > Guess what will be next? See #2 for a clue, and have the  
> Vaseline ready.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 07:16:37 -0600  
From: Steve Muncy <listsubs@sintezo.com>  
To: QRP List QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89507] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <B69431D5.4AD2%listsubs@sintezo.com>  
Mime-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

on 1/24/01 1:34 AM, Donny Sirait at dsirait@centrin.net.id wrote:

> Dear Guys & Gals,  
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> It is always amazing to see how people react  
> to something which is the norm in the past and  
> suddenly not anymore and start to look for  
> something to complain for.

I agree.

I am proud to pay dues to the ARRL. They are the only national organization representing U.S. amateurs. No other national organization lobbies to keep our frequencies. No other national organization works on a national scale to promote amateur radio. No other amateur radio organization has a field organization. Those who won't support the only national organization supporting us are free-loaders.

Think about amateur radio if there was no ARRL:

- there would be no field organization;
- there would be no National Traffic System;
- there would be no nationally produced introductions to ham radio;
- emergency communications planning would be fractionalized;
- amateur radio publications would be far more limited;
- there would probably be no amateur radio frequency allocations.

One person said "I wrote them some letters and didn't get a response." Well, that's not good but so what? I've sent letters to my Congressman and only received a campaign solicitation in reply. Perhaps I should give up being an American citizen? Did you discuss your issues with your Division Director, a fellow ham? In the past I have found my contacts with ARRL elected officials



(fellow hams) to be very, very responsive.

I found the comments about "marketing people are people who can't find a real job" to be particularly obnoxious. I'm not in marketing, but I have friends who are. They are good people, go to church, raise families, and take pride in what they do. It's pretty low to condemn someone based on their occupation when you don't actually know them. NO profession is by itself honorable....it is what the individual person brings to that profession that brings honor. Those who tear down others based on perceived notions and not real facts simply dishonor themselves and show that their opinions are not worth listening to.

The ARRL is not a publishing house in Newington, CT. It is an organization made up of those of us who CARE ENOUGH about amateur radio to pay our dues and make our views be known through the organizational structure.

You get out of ARRL what you put into it. I was once heavily involved in CW traffic handling. I was an Affiliated Club Coordinator, and Assistant Section Manager, and Assistant Emergency Coordinator. I put in a lot of time in those jobs (unpaid), but reaped far more in experience and satisfaction.

Even in years of inactivity I have been a member of ARRL because I believed it was important that amateur radio be protected. Perhaps those who believe the ARRL is so bad should create another organization that will work to protect amateur radio. If you pay your dues, you can gripe about ARRL. If you don't pay your dues, your views about ARRL don't amount to anything in my book. The "don't vote, don't gripe" philosophy applies to your participation in ARRL.

Please direct flames to

<<mailto:idontreadnostinkingflames@sintezo.com>>

where they will be promptly processed, or reasonable, well-thought out dissents to the address below.

Have a nice day! (even those free-loaders who don't pay their dues)

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Steve Muncy, NI5V <<mailto:smuncy@sintezo.com>>  
Dallas, TX <<http://www.sintezo.com/smuncy/hamradio/>>  
QRP-ARCI #10330 QRP-L #2191 FISTS #7412 QCWA #30705  
Proud Member of the American Radio Relay League

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:34:59 -0500 (GMT+5)  
From: <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89508] VFO Schematics  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1010124083241.18844A-100000@butler.qrp.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

To exercise my web page and my skill I have been drawing VFO schematics.

<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/osc.html>  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/vfo1417.html>  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/vfo.html>

Jim, WD9EYB

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 06:41:01 -0700 (MST)  
From: "Karl F. Larsen" <k5di@zianet.com>  
To: <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89509] ARRL Board Report  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.31.0101240639530.793-100000@cannac.ampr.org>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Here is the full report:

ARRL Board Approves Dues Increase, Alters Morse  
Position

NEWINGTON, CT, Jan 22, 2001--Meeting over the weekend in Irving, Texas, the ARRL Board of Directors voted to increase membership dues from \$34 to \$39 annually for full members younger than 65, and from \$28 to \$34 for full members 65 and older. The dues hike goes into effect July 1, 2001.

The Board also revised its position on whether Morse code proficiency should continue to be an international requirement to license operation below 30 MHz. The Board approved a resolution that "recognizes and accepts" that the Morse requirement likely will be dropped from Article S25 of the

international Radio Regulations at the 2003 World Radiocommunication Conference. But while the Board acknowledged that Morse will disappear as an international requirement, it held the line on retaining a domestic Morse requirement, saying that each country should be allowed to determine for itself whether it wants to have a Morse code requirement.

Many countries, including the US, have lowered their Morse code requirements to embrace a single 5-WPM examination element.

Yours Truly,

- Karl F. Larsen, k5di@arrl.net (505) 524-3303 -

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 05:45:15 -0800 (PST)  
From: Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89510] Re: Fox 30 Meter (NO NO NO NO!!!)  
Message-ID: <20010124134515.41348.qmail@web9615.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Well if they are outside the US they are probably operating legally according to the rules in their countries. If so, we have to "respect" their interest even if it is different than ours. As frustrating as it is, we only got so much spectrum - particularly at 7 MHz. I suspect these same folk get unhappy with US RTTY operations up around 7080 kHz. If they are US hams - they are not only lids but breakers of the law.

humbly, curt wb8yyy

--- Ji m <ku4qw@yahoo.com> wrote:  
> I hear lids trying to work dx on ssb around 7,060  
> all  
> the time, want to join them?  
>  
> =====  
> 72 es CUL Jim, KU4QW  
> KU4QW@yahoo.com

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 05:54:56 -0800 (PST)  
From: Curt Milton <wb8yyy@yahoo.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89511] RE: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <20010124135456.10866.qmail@web9610.mail.yahoo.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Well this kinda reminds of a tough political/social issue probably of much greater importance. Remember we had a previous president who said "as long as there are math classes, there will be prayer in schools." (Please don't comment on this topic on this list - i only use it as an example! - and excuse my use of it as i do not mean to divide us in any way in regard to our interest in ham radio by our different views on this issue here in the US). As long as there are hams who seek to communicate at "disadvantaged" power conditions (i.e. low signal-to-noise ratio) - there will be hams operating CW. Policy decisions are tough stuff - we gotta support our national radio society (whatever that is wherever we live) and not without support from them if we disagree with them in a particular aspect of the hobby.

We got a lot more to lose than worrying too much about what elements are included in our exams! If we keep them meaningful - well enough folk will follow us by operating CW for years to come. The biggest issue is to me is retaining enough spectrum to facilitate CW and other narrowband digital mode operations.

73 to all in the hobby,

curt wb8yyy

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:05:31 -0500  
From: Maxime Prati <mprati@postech.ca>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89512] Happy birthday radio...  
Message-ID: <1184DDFC52DBD311AF510050DA799BB74CBDD4@INTERNET-SERVER>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

wow !  
100 years old...

go see <http://www.cnn.com/2001/TECH/computing/01/23/marconi.01/index.html>

"To Infinity And Beyond !"  
--Buzz Lightyear

72 de VE2HAC

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:13:38 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Adrian Weiss <aweiss@usd.edu>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89513] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124091338.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

At last, a voice of reason in the wilderness of the self-righteous!

On 24-Jan-01 Adrian Weiss wrote:  
> Hi gang:

>  
> I think we could do it. Many DXpeditions set up shop on some 30m freq,  
> develop a huge pile-up which persists for up to several hours, and run'em  
> until the well goes dry.  
>  
> The FOX hunt is exactly the same -- many try to work one desired station.  
>  
> A contest, and I think this general statement is true, involves the objective  
> of many stns working mni other stns.  
>  
> So, my judgment is that a 30m FOX hunt would not violate any rules or  
> gentlemen's agreement any more than does a DX stn runnnig'em.  
>  
> So...????  
>  
> 72, Ade

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:32:16 -0600  
From: Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
To: mprati@postech.ca, qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89514] Re: Happy birthday radio...  
Message-ID: <3.0.1.32.20010124083216.00cb9220@hiwaay.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 09:05 1/24/01 -0500, you wrote:

>wow !  
>100 years old...  
>  
>go see <http://www.cnn.com/2001/TECH/computing/01/23/marconi.01/index.html>  
>  
>  
>"To Infinity And Beyond !"  
> --Buzz Lightyear  
>  
>72 de VE2HAC  
.....

Considering the earth is an estimated 4.5 billion years old, that means  
radio has been around .00000002 of that time . . . boy, what a new  
technology we are dealing with here. Some say man has been around about 3  
million years of that 4.5 billion years. What took us so long to figure out  
radio waves?

We are living in the age of enlightenment.

73,

Richard WA4NWW . .thinking deep thoughts, but nuttin's happening

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:48:45 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89515] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <3A6EEB4D.AE799DC9@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thom,

I believe the watch phrase is "those who do not know the history are condemned to repeat it"! Our history is where our hobby comes from, and it is also where it can be taken away. Perhaps the largest problem I see with modern QRPers, and who knows, maybe all of ham radio is that hams don't read any longer, they just surf the internet. There is a much larger gap in knowledge of the regulations than ever before!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:58:52 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: Bill Stietenroth <k5zty@juno.com>  
Cc: J.Bennett@lboro.ac.uk, plburbank@kih.net, hamjoel@juno.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89516] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <3A6EEDAC.C60D9054@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bill,

Do really know the definition of a contest? A contest is a FIXED operating period during which amateurs are to work a specific set of other amateurs. A DXpedition is NOT a contest. While its period of operation may be well defined, its daily operations are generally not. They come up on different bands at various times to give out a few contacts! There is usually little impact on any band because there is only one station (the DXer) involved at any one time. It is visibly

different that having 500 stations calling CQ contest!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:16:24 -0500  
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
To: "QRP" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89517] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <1010024101622.KAA16504@gate.iterated.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

Before this gets out of hand any further, let's consider the history of the WARC bands, and how they got to be "contest-free".

The bands from 10.1-10.15, 18.068-18.168 and 24.890-24.990 were originally allocated to the FIXED service, and in WARC 79, they were handed over to the AMATUER service.

But the existing FIXED users didn't immediately disappear. Indeed, our own FCC phased in access to these bands primarily to prevent interference to existing FIXED operators who had not yet moved.

It was this desire to avoid unnecessary interference with other operators, that helped to spawn the "contest-free" status of the WARC bands.

That's not to say there wasn't a lot of operating on these bands. The ARRL sponsered QSO parties when each of these bands were first opened to amatuer access by the FCC. While I didn't participate in those, I understand that activity was very high.

That said, what separates an "operating activity" like a QSO party, from a contest?

The bottom line, I believe, is that in operating activities, unlike contests, you do not keep score.

A DXpedition is an operating activity. A Fox Hunt more resembles a contest (albeit a protracted one).

However, I can't see that a Fox Hunt would produce higher levels of interference than a DXpedition.



Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL            Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net  
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"  
      -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:15:07 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: aweiss@usd.edu  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89518] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3A6EF17B.F9DE74B4@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ade,

One thought should dominate whenever you choose a device to hold up one end of an antenna: "can this thing get away and start free flying"? A balloon, unthered, can break and fly away, where it becomes a hazard to aircraft, large and small! Imagine the pilot of an aircraft meeting up with several hundred feet of your antenna wire while flying. It can foul up his engine enough to cause a crash! Using these things without thought is simply bad judgment!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:24:18 -0500  
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
To: "'qrp-l@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89519] Re: 30m  
Message-ID:  
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8CCD@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

Just a thought, has anyone thought of contacting the FCC to find out their definition of a contest? Or perhaps it resides within part 97. It sure seems like the most productive way to settle this. I would check but my internet access is down here at work.

oo de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:23:32 -0500  
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
To: <listsubs@sintezo.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89520] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <1010024102331.KAA16929@gate.iterated.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 1/24/01 8:16 AM, Steve Muncy at listsubs@sintezo.com wrote:

>I am proud to pay dues to the ARRL.

I don't know if I'm proud, but I pay dues as well.

>They are the only national organization representing U.S. amateurs.

That's true. However, it isn't for lack of trying. Didn't W5YI try to start a national organization a few years ago? I know W2NSD gave it a whirl or two at some point as well. In each case, the ARRL spent their member's dues to squelch any competition....

>Think about amateur radio if there was no ARRL:

>

>- there would be no field organization;

>- there would be no National Traffic System;

True.

>- there would be no nationally produced introductions to ham radio;

I'm sure any other national organization would do this as well.

>- emergency communications planning would be fractionalized;

Possibly.

>- amateur radio publications would be far more limited;

I completely disagree here. In many cases, equipment manufacturers feel they "must" advertise in QST, which pretty much blows their whole budget for advertisements. Without the ARRL to dictate ad rates, advertisements might be spread more evenly over several publications.

>- there would probably be no amateur radio frequency allocations.

Again, I disagree.

The ARRL has a big head start on other national organizations, but there's nothing it does that another national organization couldn't do, if it were allowed to survive and mature.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL                      Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net  
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"  
      -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:24:45 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89521] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <3A6EF3BD.9CCC2626@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Paul,

Kinda reminds me of one of my heroes in ham radio, Wayne Green. He has steadfastly maintained his League membership just so he can complain about what they do! 'We have the League to defend our frequencies and our interests', but what do we really have if we are not members? As a member your input gets counted even if they don't answer your letters! As a matter of fact, it used to be League policy to acknowledge receipt of a member's letter, no matter what. That has changed in the last 15 years, maybe because the volume is too high, maybe because the policy has changed, but they still get counted!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:31:27 -0500  
From: Bill Lazure <n2tpa@juno.com>  
To: QRP-L@Lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89522] QRP SSB

Message-ID: <20010124.103206.-365421.5.N2TPA@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

There seems to be a many people who think the ONLY mode that can be done QRP is CW. Though not a herculean feat by any means, I made 108 DX contacts while trying for the Millenium DXCC. Roughly 65% of them were QRP SSB. The rest were CW, except two SSB at 40W.

QRP is low power, not mode restriction.

73,

W2EB  
Bill

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:27:18 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: dsirait@centrin.net.id  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89523] Re: Virus propagation and QRP-L  
Message-ID: <3A6EF456.66B4B679@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Donny,

You are correct about the text only posting format. However, how often do you see links embedded in QRP-L messages. These links may lead to sites that are not as well protected, or directly to web pages, and the like. You have to be careful when activating these links.

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:37:52 -0600  
From: Bcieslak@ra.rockwell.com

To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89524] OT Quest for elusive Novice WAS  
Message-ID: <0FAAEED2F8.56B76BB6-0N862569DE.00536ED4@ra.rockwell.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

The year 2001 mark 30 years in amatuer radio for me, first licensed as a high school junior as WN9IRO on Dec 7, 1971.

To celebrate I am setting out to acheive the WAS I was hunting for before my 2 year novice ticket expired.. Unfortunately time ran out for me back then. I plan to operate under all the same restricitons I was under back then. This time around the sunspots will hopefully be a little more favorable and the fist a little steadier. I will be offering a special QSL commerating my operation during the 2001-2002 time frame. Hopefully the novice bands will still be around long enough to finish my quest. I also plan to keep a diary that I will publish on a web page somewhere. It will illustrate my experiences a novice, now and then. Stay tuned.

So see you in the novice bands,

Brian AE9K/ ex WN9IRO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:35:37  
From: "Larry Wise" <lewise@txwises.com>  
To: "qrp" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89525] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <200101241540.JAA10259@aoot.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

NO NO NO NO....

By any definition the FOX HUNT is a contest and should not...NOT... NOT be on 30 Meters.....

Larry KA5T  
Georgetown, Texas

On Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:45:38 GMT, Adrian Weiss wrote:

>Hi gang:  
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>I think we could do it. ....  
>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:17:29 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89526] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124111729.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

The FCC could not give a flying \*\*\* about what is a contest. Contests ARE allowed on ANY band. It is rather a "Gentleman's Agreement."

BTW, In a contest, the whole band is clobbered by numerous stations working each other, in a Fox hunt, it is one station being called, on one frequency. Wake up people, this bears NO resemblance to a CONTEST! As Ade noted, it is little different than a pileup on a DX station. Next someone will want to band DX from 30M!

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Harris Keith E CONT CNIN wrote:  
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> seems like the most productive way to settle this. I would check but my  
> internet access is down here at work.  
>  
> oo de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:19:00 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <jsielke@pobox.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89527] Re: 30 Metres

Message-ID: <XFMail.010124111900.jsielke@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Sounds exactly like a fox hunt...one station working as many others as possible.  
Then, DUH, why are so many people calling it a CONTEST?

John W2AGN

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> contacts! There is usually little impact on any band because there is  
> only one station (the DXer) involved at any one time. It is visibly  
> different that having 500 stations calling CQ contest!  
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> 73  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:21:03 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89528] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124112103.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

I remember back in the "olden days" when I took my exam (with an FCC examiner), we were required to KNOW part 97 pretty well. I guess the "new age, volunteer exams" don't stress that.

John W2AGN

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> internet access is down here at work.  
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> oo de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 08:27:38 -0800  
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
To: w2agn@pobox.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89529] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <3A6F027A.18D6499C@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

My view is that 30 meters should be protected from \*any\* contest-like activity. It is a significant refuge when the 40, 20 etc. are full of contestors.

Is a FOX hunt a contest? Dunno .. but to the extent it interferes with the ability to use 30 meters as a ragchewing band, I'm against it.

Phil W7OX

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:35:01 -0500  
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
To: <jsielke@pobox.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89530] Re: 30 Metres  
Message-ID: <011801c08623\$9f939300\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

hey, if we really want to stretch things, isn't WAS a contest? DXCC? In fact, almost ANYTHING we do other than VERY casual communications might fall into someone's definition of a contest.

But I think, at least in MY case, I would consider a contest as an 'open' event, where by 'open' I mean time windows and band usage. And in that regard, I don't personally consider any kind of 'hunt', whether for a fox or a DX station or DXpedition or whatever a 'contest'.



Mike

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> John W2AGN

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:21:12 -0700  
From: "Mugleston, Brad" <brad.mugleston@gwl.com>  
To: qrp-l <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89531] OT - Memory HELP  
Message-ID: <F9645092A142D3118CBD00805F15292E10D9900D@eb-mail1.gwl.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

I know this is Off Topic (well I do run PSK on my computer so it's close).  
I have a Dell Optiplex GX1 and would like to upgrade the memory. Per the  
Dell literature it takes PC100 memory and it can be either ECC or Non-ECC  
memory. I want to put in a 256M card (the computer will hold up to 3 memory  
cards with the biggest being 256M in each slot).

If I purchase it from Dell it comes with Dell's stamp of approval and a life  
time warranty - cost about \$300.

If I get it from CompUSA it comes with a life time warranty and costs about  
\$180.

If I get it from the WEB it runs around \$100 and also has a life time  
warranty.

My problem is that I ordered some and it doesn't work and no one will tell  
me what will work for sure (except for Dell). I have found out that there  
is High Density and regular density PC100 memory. I do know that the HIGH  
density doesn't work.

Are there different types of PC100 memory? I imagine that there are  
different qualities (can you name some to avoid, some to get). What I'm  
hoping is that someone can tell me that if it is PC100 regular density  
memory it will work on any machine but no one I've been able to talk to  
knows.

Thanks and If I get this memory I should be screaming on PSK.

de KI00T, Brad

PS please reply direct to keep the traffic down.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:35:36 -0500 (GMT+5)  
From: <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Cc: wvara@butler.qrp.com  
Subject: [89532] Klunky Warbler Schematics  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1010124112957.22636A-100000@butler.qrp.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

As a test of my klunky schematic drawing I drew a schematic of the PSK-80. By this I mean no disrespect to the excellent work of Dave, NN1G. The information on the NJQRP web page should be used as the first source of info on the PSK-80 Warbler. I just wanted to test my schematic drawing web page.

So, here are links to the 4 sections that I drew.  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/u1.html>  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/xmtr.html>  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/rcvr.html>  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/u4.html>

The klunky schematic drawing web page is here.  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/>

Thanks,

Jim, WD9EYB

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:37:12 -0700  
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: <aweiss@usd.edu>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Cc: <w6toy@erols.com>  
Subject: [89533] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <0E14Wr08lxy4DlYWy6P00000347@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="Windows-1252"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ade et.al.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>

To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 01:45 AM

Subject: Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?

> Hi gang:

>

> I think we could do it. Many DXpeditions set up shop on some 30m  
freq,

> develop a huge pile-up which persists for up to several hours, and  
run'em

> until the well goes dry.

>

> The FOX hunt is exactly the same -- many try to work one desired  
station.

>

I respectfully disagree, there is a slight difference, FOX hunts are regularly scheduled events, they occur once or twice per week, presumably in perpetuity. DX events come and go randomly, last for a short period of time, and to the best of my knowledge, do not occur with a regularity as do Foxhunts. Considered from this frequency of occurrence viewpoint, DXpeditions have less of an effect on band crowding than Fox Hunting.

My vote is to keep Fox hunting off 30m and respect the spirit of the Gentleman's agreement as I understand it.

In another posting Bruce Muscolino offered some good advice, "...know you history or you doomed to repeat it".....

Can anyone cite a bibliography of publications that discuss this Gentleman's agreement? (Articles, essays, letters to the editor...etc.) I would like to read that material so I can develop a better understanding of what was done and why.

73, Rod NØRC  
Ft Collins CO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:41:52 -0500  
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89534] Re: 30m  
Message-ID:  
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8CCF@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

John,

If you had to know part 97 so why don't you answer the question? I guess us "new" guys ought not question anything and just let you guys from the "olden days" run things. I just thought that maybe the FCC has a definition of "contest" that would answer the question being posted. Sorry I don't have part 97 memorized. I'll get right to work on that.

N9KH

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Date: 24 Jan 2001 11:42:10 EST  
From: Michael Goins <mgoins@usa.net>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89535] 30 meters  
Message-ID: <20010124164211.20154.qmail@aw162.netaddress.usa.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable

As much as I would love to see a foxhunt on 30 meters, it is a contest, and 30 meters should remain contest free. =

One opinion.

mike  
wb5yjx

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Get free email and a permanent address at <http://www.amexmail.com/?A=3D1>  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:43:22 -0500  
From: Pete Burbank <plburbank@kih.net>

To: n0tu@webaccess.net, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89536] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <5.0.2.1.0.20010124111500.00a61160@KIH.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

>. What about using  
>the upper end of 30m which is rarely used?  
>Steve/n0tu

My understanding was that the top end of 30 was to be used by packet operators for long haul links. One of my older ARRL Handbooks even said that contacts on 30 were not eligible for DXCC but I understand that is no longer true. There seems to be commercial RTTY traffic in the center of the band segment. So that leaves a <25 kc segment at the low end for cw . So 30 is kinda like a wilderness area where you walk in, take nothing, and leave nothing. A low impact area.  
73 to all  
Pete NV4V

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:55:19 -0500  
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
To: <n0rc@hotmail.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89537] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <014001c08626\$73612740\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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> occurrence viewpoint, DXpeditions have less of an effect on band  
> crowding than Fox Hunting.  
>  
> 73, Rod N0RC  
> Ft Collins CO

While I can understand your logic, I feel that without further  
'qualification'  
of the event, this position is VERY close to saying that ANY regularly

scheduled meeting might be considered a contest and should stay off 30M.

I think this is going to get beat to death, as we have a definition for white, and a definition of black, no definition of stripes, and we're trying to decide if a zebra is white or black.

The answer is yes...

and no.

Mike

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:55:56 -0600  
From: crc@io.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89538] 30 Meters  
Message-ID: <3A6EB4BC.4670.580566B@localhost>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I for one like the no contests on 30 Meters. I don't care if it is a rule,law, regulation , or simply gentlemen's agreement. There is so much unused space on 40 and 20 meters,except during contests,that we need to spread our hunts out on there before invading 30 meters.

And the big bear I see in the closet is if we are seen as opening up WARC bands for contesting, which is exactly what a lot of operators consider Fox hunts,then we will shortly have to deal with the QRO "foxchase"all over what is a small bandwidth on 30.

IMHO  
charlie c  
W5KRF  
charlie c

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:59:28 -0500  
From: hamjoel@juno.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89539] ARRL STAND...  
Message-ID: <20010124.120134.-523897.9.hamjoel@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

High y'all

U kneaux or oughta kneaux the arrl has done lots of good things for amateur radio... promotes cw .... and many utter good things....

However, it does try to make its rules, the rule for every ham, member or not and therefore is open to criticism from every ham...

whare we would be without the arrl is a question that can't be answered untill they an't heah no meaux...

That all hams owe allegiance to arrl, is arrl propaganda... while arrl tries to control all aspects of amateur radio... it is only an organization responsible to its members... and evidently its members have world dominance on thair minds...

now before anyone goes postal.... the arrl is a good org... it has its goals and is persueing them... however this is a hobby... and its existance in some form seems certain, regardless of who calls the shots... to place ham radio as more than a hobby is to misplace ham radio in real life...and distort our own...

Just look at the fun and education of building electronic things... look at the information passed along by builders and expermenters on the list...look at the professionals that come to amateur radio to try out their theories and discover new ways of doing things...the dynamics of the interplay between educated and just learning minds is an uplifting experience that enhances the hobby of amateur radio...and educates the players...

trying to reduce everything to the actions of one group or board of directors seems to be asking for monarchy in one form or another for one noble reason or another...

As for myself, I will continue to follow fcc rules, play antenna, and write funny stories and work some sstv, cw, ssb,psk, rtty... because that is fun for me and is my hobby... allowed by the fcc... and my XYL...

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:06:55 EST

From: Macstein@aol.com

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu, fpqrp-1@mpna.com

Subject: [89540] FOX - Corrected Log - AF4PS Cub 1-23-01  
Message-ID: <4c.fcf82fe.27a065af@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Corrections so far... Thanks. Notice the last 20 minutes!!! Several people indicated that I dissappeared -- well, so did you! grin. Boy, was that lonely.

|     |      |        |     |    |        |       |
|-----|------|--------|-----|----|--------|-------|
| 1.  | 0201 | KV4EE  | 559 | SC | Craig  | 5w    |
| 2.  | 0203 | K9IUA  | 559 | ND | Kevin  | 5w    |
| 3.  | 0207 | K0EVZ  | 569 | ND | Doc    | 2w    |
| 4.  | 0208 | VA6RF  | 559 | AB | Earl   | 5w    |
| 5.  | 0209 | AJ4AY  | 599 | AL | Jay    | 5w    |
| 6.  | 0211 | AC5JH  | 559 | OK | Tom    | 2w    |
| 7.  | 0213 | AF4PP  | 599 | GA | Chuck  | 4w    |
| 8.  | 0214 | KC1FB  | 559 | CT | Jim    | 5w    |
| 9.  | 0215 | AB8DF  | 559 | MI | Ed     | 5w    |
| 10. | 0216 | W9WIS  | 559 | WI | Mike   | 5w    |
| 11. | 0217 | KK5LD  | 559 | TX | Dan    | 5w    |
| 12. | 0218 | N4ROA  | 559 | VA | Dan    | 4w    |
| 13. | 0220 | K5PSH  | 559 | TX | Jerry  | 4w    |
| 14. | 0221 | W0CH   | 589 | MO | Dave   | 5w    |
| 15. | 0223 | KU4TN  | 559 | VA | James  | 500mw |
| 16. | 0224 | KJ0C   | 559 | MO | Jim    | 5w    |
| 17. | 0225 | K5DW   | 559 | TX | Don    | 5w    |
| 18. | 0226 | WB8U0J | 459 | OH | Bob    | 5w    |
| 19. | 0227 | W5YR   | 559 | TX | George | 5w    |
| 20. | 0230 | W3ERU  | 559 | MD | Wes    | 4w    |
| 21. | 0231 | N8VAR  | 559 | OH | Ron    | 5w    |
| 22. | 0232 | KA1DDB | 559 | MI | Mike   | 5w    |
| 23. | 0237 | AA7EQ  | 559 | AZ | Bob    | 5w    |
| 24. | 0239 | VE3FAL | 559 | ON | Fred   | 5w    |
| 25. | 0241 | N4VM   | 559 | TN | Bryn   | 5w    |
| 26. | 0243 | N5IB   | 559 | LA | Jim    | 5w    |
| 27. | 0245 | N5GLQ  | 559 | LA | Mike   | 5w    |
| 28. | 0247 | W5ZF   | 559 | NM | Irv    | 5w    |
| 29. | 0249 | W5YW   | 559 | LA | Mike   | 5w    |
| 30. | 0253 | AA7XA  | 559 | OR | Frank  | 5w    |
| 31. | 0255 | KB9YIG | 559 | IN | Tony   | 5w    |
| 32. | 0301 | KB3E0F | 449 | MD | Murph  | 5w    |
| 33. | 0303 | W3PNL  | 599 | PA | Joe    | 3w    |
| 34. | 0304 | AF4LQ  | 569 | KY | Mike   | 5w    |
| 35. | 0305 | KK5D   | 559 | TX | Dan    | 5w    |
| 36. | 0311 | KI0II  | 559 | CO | Ron    | 5w    |
| 37. | 0313 | W8YMO  | 559 | OH | Harry  | 5w    |
| 38. | 0315 | NV4V   | 579 | KY | Pete   | 5w    |



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|-----|------|--------|--------|--------|----|
| 39. | 0316 | K50I   | 559 NM | Tim    | 5w |
| 40. | 0323 | NM5M   | 569 TX | Eric   | 5w |
| 41. | 0326 | NW7DX  | 559 WA | Ben    | 5w |
| 42. | 0331 | N0TU   | 569 CO | Steve  | 5w |
| 43. | 0333 | N3AO   | 559 PA | Carter | 5w |
| 44. | 0337 | WR50   | 559 TX | Dave   | 5w |
| 45. | 0338 | WB8WTU | 559 OH | Dennis | 5w |
| 46. | 0340 | K4FB   | 229 FL | Paul   | 5w |
| 47. | 0400 | AF4PS  | 559 FL | Mac    | 4w |

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:09:05 -0500  
 From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
 To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
 Subject: [89541] Re: ARRL Stand  
 Message-ID:  
 <4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8CD0@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>  
 MIME-Version: 1.0  
 Content-Type: text/plain

Well said Joel. It's good to know those Maine winters haven't frozen your brain...  
 yet.

oo de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:16:21 -0500  
 From: "Richard Brummer, K2JQ" <k2jq@bestweb.net>  
 To: <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
 Subject: [89542] Re: 30m  
 Message-ID: <00bf01c08629\$6075fc20\$b805b3d8@obvious>  
 MIME-Version: 1.0  
 Content-Type: text/plain;  
     charset="iso-8859-1"  
 Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Well, if John has to have a knowledge of Part 97, then shouldn't you, Keith  
 ? Shouldn't all of us ?

Or is your Extra Class license different from John's, or mine?

You should be just as able to answer this question as anyone.....

73,  
Dick K2JQ

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 09:15:09 -0800 (PST)  
From: agtaylor@llnl.gov  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89543] Re: NC40A repackaging  
Message-ID: <200101241715.JAA24510@poptop.llnl.gov>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/plain; CHARSET=US-ASCII

Some good discussion came from my recent post. But apparently no one has already done a repack as I had described. A SMT/NC40A might be a wonderful addition to our QRP toys. I add my list of specs for such a project. Essentially the NC40A design translated into a new format. Delete RIT (takes up too much panel space, not needed anyway)

- 1) Mostly SMT but thru-hole for toroids and the PA transistor (MRF237)
- 2) Careful attention to both rx and tx current drain. This is, of course, a hard-core backpacker's rig! That is, keep the 40As stingy current requirements. Total rx mode of no more than 20mA. Equally stingy on tx.
- 3) Double regulated VFO voltage source to reduce tendency to chirp with marginal battery packs. I have had my 40A begin to chirp when there was still juice in the battery pack.
- 4) Generous space on the board for VFO components to minimize drift. VFO stability needn't be a casualty of miniaturization.
- 5) Built-in keyer with speed control pot. I like the KC1 or SK3 myself.
- 6) Capable of running on marginal battery packs. A supply voltage from 16V to 9V will run the rig!
- 7) tuning range as per NC40A (50 kHz)

Controls: power level switch (Hi - 4W; Lo - 1.5W, at 16V)  
          tune (1-turn pot) (No RIT, this rig is hard-core!)  
          audio  
          RF atten switch (no pot)

keyer speed  
pushbuttons to control keyer, as req'd.

Connections: BNC for antenna  
2.1mm coaxial d.c.  
headphones (stereo)  
key  
paddles

Size : slightly smaller than the SST although a more TFR style might be nice.

Just a wishlist.

Have a great day and encourage your local utility to send power to CA...  
We didn't cause the crisis, just victims of it!

Allan K7GT / AE6TT

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Allan G Taylor

agtaylor@llnl.gov

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:16:53 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89544] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124121653.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

My apologies to all, I misunderstood the whole gist of the argument. I thought it was:

- a. Is a Fox hunt a Contest or Not?
- b. Should Fox Hunts be allowed on 30M?

Now I see the error. Contesters, Traffic Handlers, QRPers, DXers, etc, are all "special interest groups." Some of our bands need to be "protected" against these nefarious types. Since "ragchewers" are NOT a special interest group, save 30M for rag chewing.

Now I get it. If it is not the particular pastime that YOU enjoy, it must be banned.

Sounds like we could be getting back to the old "definition of a TRUE QRPer."

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Phil Wheeler wrote:

> My view is that 30 meters should be protected from \*any\* contest-like  
> activity. It is a significant refuge when the 40, 20 etc. are full of  
> contestors.  
>  
> Is a FOX hunt a contest? Dunno .. but to the extent it interferes with  
> the ability to use 30 meters as a ragchewing band, I'm against it.  
>  
> Phil W70X  
>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:18:02 -0600  
From: "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@midsouth.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89545] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <000301c08629\$9c84bda0\$0200a8c0@n5nw>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

To all those lamenting the loss of CW as a requirement for obtaining a transmitting license, I say that the only thing that will kill CW is if we quit using it, and quit telling others how much fun it is.

Look at other hobbies that have experienced technical innovation over the past 100 years. We still have ballooning, we still have sailing, and I'm sure we can find numerous other "outdated, outmoded" technology still in use. We need to follow those examples. Why are they still being used?

First, because participants enjoy the activity. Note that "fun" is different for each of us. You will NEVER achieve 100% participation in any activity. Some people will never enjoy CW -- and that's fine. To the other 95%, we need to make sure, as Bruce or someone else said, that we communicate how much fun CW is. Most people find CW stressful. Once learned, CW can actually be a stress relief! I find it relaxing, not that everyone would, but I do.

Second, because participants share their experience with others. I recall what got me hooked on CW was having an elmer sit beside me as a backup while I made CW contacts on Field Day. He was there and provided "fills" for the stuff I missed. You know, the "fills" required were much less by the end of the weekend. And I was beginning to have a lot of fun.

How many people have obtained a balloon pilot's licence having never ridden in a balloon? Ran a sailboat without having first been a passenger? Precious few, if any, I'd imagine.

I hope we can become evangelists for CW, not as a requirement, but as a fun mode of operation. While QRP may \*technically\* be an operating requirement, it has never been a licensing requirement. Yet, QRP participation has skyrocketed since my joining the list some five years ago (my QRP-L number is less than a thousand, if that helps). Why? Because a group of dedicated folks decided to open the doors and clue everyone in about how much FUN is was. The QRP organizations had been doing a fine job of maintenance of the subhobby, but growth resulted from individual evangelism. Now, there are informal QRP clubs everywhere, where before there were enthusiasts in scattered locations.

We need to support our organizations -- be they ARRL, FISTS, or any number of QRP societies. But we cannot expect them to breathe life into our beloved mode. Only we can do that, individually, one "convert" at a time.

Frankly, when it quits being fun, I'll quit operating CW too. But so far, it's fun!

72 es 73 de N5NW  
Marty  
Memphis/Lakeland, Tennessee

CW -- it ain't broccoli. Try it, you might like it!

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:17:13 -0700  
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89546] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <0E70kLQ8aZRhQdOgl4r0000003c@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="Windows-1252"  
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----- Original Message -----

From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>

To: <n0rc@hotmail.com>; "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion"  
<qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 09:55 AM

Subject: Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?

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> 30M.  
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Agreed. As I "test" I think we should consider at least two attributes  
of any event:

1. Frequency of occurrence.
2. Is it a "many-to-one" or "many-to-many" contact event?

Regularly scheduled, many-to-many events should be avoided, IMHO.

Many-to-one events are less clear. If the goal is to reduce band  
crowding, then: Regularly scheduled events, that occur once or twice  
per week, presumably in perpetuity, are too much a strain on the  
"Gentleman's agreement", as best I understand it. I believe that these  
type events should be avoided.

Something else to consider, "The precedence setting effect". If we

start Fox Hunting on 30 what might follow? Where might it ultimately lead? The long term consequences of our actions deserve consideration.

73, Rod N0RC  
Ft Collins CO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:22:03 -0500  
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
To: "'qrp-1@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89547] Re: 30m  
Message-ID:  
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8CD1@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

John,

Yes they require it, but do they require you to have it on your person at all times? I don't do alot of amateur radio at work as the Navy "frowns" on transmitting on base. Yes, you did answer the question, but the additional comment was uncalled for, IMHO. The attitude of "it was harder back whenever to get a license so we're better hams than the "new" hams" is what turns alot of people off when they first get interested in ham radio. With the reorganization of the license structure I've heard it from very recently licensed Extras. The same holds true with CW. Alot of "old timers" won't slow down and give a newbie a break and a QSO because they're sending "too slow" or sloppy. I guess the old timers started out at 30+ wpm. I guess they were born with it. BTW, I have alot or reference books. That is what they are, reference books. I don't memorize them, I have them to look things up. I have a Machinery's Handbook here at work, but I don't plan on memorizing it anytime soon either. Everyone seems to think it was alot harder when I did it than it is now. Think about it, school, basic training, life in general. The "I walked 2 miles to school everyday, uphill, in the snow, both ways" gets a bit old. I'll put my soap box away now.

73 de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:24:27 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89548] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124122427.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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MIME-Version: 1.0

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The heck with it, I'll go to 20M.

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Rod Cerkoney wrote:

> Agreed. As I "test" I think we should consider at least two attributes  
> of any event:  
>  
> 1. Frequency of occurrence.  
>  
> 2. Is it a "many-to-one" or "many-to-many" contact event?  
>  
> Regularly scheduled, many-to-many events should be avoided, IMHO.  
>  
> Many-to-one events are less clear. If the goal is to reduce band  
> crowding, then: Regularly scheduled events, that occur once or twice  
> per week, presumably in perpetuity, are too much a strain on the  
> "Gentleman's agreement", as best I understand it. I believe that these  
> type events should be avoided.  
>  
> Something else to consider, "The precedence setting effect". If we  
> start Fox Hunting on 30 what might follow? Where might it ultimately  
> lead? The long term consequences of our actions deserve consideration.  
>  
> 73, Rod N0RC  
> Ft Collins CO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:20:45 -0600  
From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
To: "'k6qq@hdo.net'" <k6qq@hdo.net>, Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-  
l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89549] RE: about tuner losses  
Message-ID:  
<E78D8A9D6762D411B5440008C791D4AA01303369@dfwex03.allegiancetelecom.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain



So does MY Johnson kilowatt "Matchbox", but I've never felt any heat from it with 1500 watts going into it!

Karl K - W8TIF  
McKinney, Texas

> -----Original Message-----

> From: John Moriarity [SMTP:k6qq@hdo.net]

> Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 3:19 PM

> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion

> Subject: Re: about tuner losses

>

> > >For 1 kW, the

> > >dissipation becomes 110 W -- signifcant power.

> >

> > Which would certainly require ventilation holes. Gee, my 2kW Murch

> tuner

> > doesn't have any. Perhaps tuner losses aren't nearly as great as you

> > think.

>

> My old Johnson kW Matchbox had ventilation holes!

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> 73,

>

> John, K6QQ

> Alturas, CA, at the corner of 299 & 395.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:31:55 -0500

From: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [89550] Re: Silver Plating ?

Message-ID: <3A6F118B.480F43BE@venus.uwaterloo.ca>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Silver oxide is no conductor

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:29:51 -0500 (EST)

From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>

To: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89551] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124122951.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

So, why didn't you look it up?

I hear a lot more ranting from new hams, about "old hams" expecting them to know regulations, etc, than I see ranting from old hams about new hams NOT knowing regulations, etc.

W2AGN (fortunately, at my age, feelings of inadequacy can be cured with Viagra)

On 24-Jan-01 Harris Keith E CONT CNIN wrote:

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> is what they are, reference books. I don't memorize them, I have them to  
> look things up.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:35:37 -0500  
From: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89552] Re: Being Had?--Seems Like It  
Message-ID: <3A6F1269.D05843FA@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Nylon coating would introduce dielectric loss and nylon is not a great dielectric. Teflon perhaps.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:45:28 -0500  
From: "Ed Tanton" <n4xy@att.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Cc: <w4ru@arrl.org>, <w4rh@arrl.org>, <w4wyr@arrl.org>, <k1zz@arrl.org>, <w5jbp@arrl.org>, <w5zn@arrl.org>  
Subject: [89553] RE: ARRL STAND...  
Message-ID: <CKEGICNFDIMCEKEDCEHFIELEFLAA.n4xy@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

As a Life Member and (usual) ARRL supporter, I completely agree with Joel and Marty. In fact, my only comment is: Who's surprised? This particular position resonates with the way the wind has been blowing for years. Because I disagree with their stand(s) on a couple of issues lately, does NOT mean I think we should drop them like a hot brick. Let 'em know what you think. Working WITHIN 'the system' is always more effective than anything but armed rebellion-and I don't think that's one of our options here.

I enjoy CW. I intend to continue at my 99.9%-CW level of operation-for as long as there is ham radio to do it on. I hope that will be a long time. But 'surprised'? No sir. Nary a bit. Look at what the rest of the Amateur Radio-world is doing.

As for me personally? I will NEVER support the elimination of the code requirement. Not now. Not ever.

73 Ed Tanton N4XY <n4xy@arrl.net>

website: <http://www.n4xy.com>

LM: ARRL QCWA AMSAT & INDEXA;  
SEDXC NCDXA GACW QRP-ARCI  
OK-QRP QRP-L #758 K2 (FT) #00057

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:29:40 -0600  
From: Ken Brown <n4so@juno.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89554] Kenwood Repair Centers  
Message-ID: <20010124.113849.16142.0.n4so@juno.com>

Kenwood repair Service Centers  
- info kenrep4.txt-

Please send your radio to the closest facility to you.

Kenwood Service Center West  
13030 Alondra Blvd., #104  
Cerritos, CA 90703-2257  
562-483-8740 phone  
562-483-8749 fax

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Kenwood Service Center East  
829 Lynnhaven Parkway, Suite 130  
Virginia Beach, VA 23452  
757-340-1702 phone  
757-340-6809 fax

Ken Brown N4SO  
Mobile, AL EM50tk  
NorCal 20 at 5 watts  
4 element mono. yagi  
Elecraft K1 #260

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:00:05 -0700  
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89555] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
Message-ID: <0E27gFj6VsGshdDg9Sf00000505@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang,

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 02:54 PM  
Subject: Repackaging the NC40A

> Allan, I have thought for years that the NC40A would be an ideal  
candidate  
> to convert to surface mount parts. Why not see if you can find a  
friend on  
> the list who knows how to lay out boards with surface mount parts?  
Work

Here is another interesting approach. Have a look at this article by a Slovenian Ham, s57nan:

[http://www.qsl.net/s57nan/ham\\_radio/tinka/tinka.html](http://www.qsl.net/s57nan/ham_radio/tinka/tinka.html)

picture at:

[http://www.qsl.net/s57nan/ham\\_radio/tinka/tink\\_ph6.jpg](http://www.qsl.net/s57nan/ham_radio/tinka/tink_ph6.jpg)

a 95mm x 95mm x 45 mm 4W XCVR for 20 or 30m, The article discusses translating the design to other bands. Pictures, board layouts...everything needed to build the rig is listed.

I got to thinking, NorCal did an interesting thing making the NC20 available to non-US hams. What about the reverse? Why not contact Alec, s57nan, and see if he's agreeable to allowing NorCal to kit this nifty little rig. Doug, would this notion fit in with NorCal's objectives?

73, Rod N0RC  
Ft Collins CO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:04:08 EST  
From: Shephed@aol.com  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89556] DIRTY METERS????  
Message-ID: <39.fb8029f.27a07318@aol.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

What the hell is all this crap about dirty meters, and what do tests have to with it?

Come on people, I keep my meters clean, and i don't have to take no more conflag tests.

And also this talk about "New Hams" and "Old Hams", what does age have to do with it, as long as they are cured right, they taste the same.

:-D

72, oo  
Dan, N8IE

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:04:58 -0500  
From: Paul Womble <pwomble1@tampabay.rr.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89557] WARC Bands: The real deal. Was: 30m foxhunts  
Message-ID: <3A6F194A.84C82424@tampabay.rr.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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Let me see if I have this straighttt:

If I'm a DX station (for our purposes here defined as an amateur station outside of the lower 48) then it's ok for me to call CQ and work 100 or more stations per hour on 30m? But if I'm not DX (see above defination) then it's not ok?

That the next major DX'pedition to some 'rare entity' can't advertise they will be active on 30m or 17m or 12m, because they are there operating for a specified or recurring time period?

That old hams or new hams are fluent in Part 97?

Paul K4FB

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:13:01 -0500  
From: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
To: qrp-1 <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89558] 30M how about this?  
Message-ID: <3A6F1B2D.84859829@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

See this is what I hate about QRP-1.

Somebody points out that 30 m is a great place for QRP activity and then the discussion quickly degenerates into an argument over semantics and definitions of what a contest is.

To me the important point is that 30 is a relatively quiet band with great propagation and therefore an ideal place for weak signal work!!!

So lets not have a contest or foxhunt or whatever you want to call it.

Why not use QRP-1 to schedule a QSO party or rag chewers event where there is no scoring, just a good showing of QRP stations on the band where you can have a quick Q or an extended rag chew? I bet there are lots of times you recognize a call during a fox hunt and think ' hey I wish I could have a Q with that op' but on a fox hunt you can't and normally you never run across him at other times.

So lets knock off the arguing and get on with making plans to meet on 30 m some time!

de VE3VX0

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:12:25 -0800  
From: Phil Wheeler <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
To: n0rc@hotmail.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89559] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
Message-ID: <3A6F1B09.9FB934E4@earthlink.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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> layouts...everything needed to build the rig is listed.  
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Very neat, Rod! Any info on the specs (power out, current on RX/TX, etc.)?

There is definitely something to be said for this vs. an NC-40A repackaging.

Phil W70X

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:14:39 -0700  
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: <w2agn@pobox.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89560] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <0E14VXwR1IM9QX2CTp20000003c4@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John et.al.

----- Original Message -----  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 10:24 AM  
Subject: Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?

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Frankly John, a little hyperbole?

What you are proposing to do, "one-to-one" is perfectly fine. You can't take a single criteria that I present and draw conclusions from it. The must been considered all together. Even if you operate regularly and frequently in perpetuity you are not contributing to the "crowded band problem" that is at the crux of this discussion.

Your plan to call CQ on 10.106 is to be applauded. My motto is "use 'em or loose 'em".



Folk's let's get out there and make 30m the "primo" rag chew band, and let not stop a 30m. There is a lot of unused spectrum on 17 and 12 too!

73, Rod N0RC  
Ft Collins CO

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:10:17 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: harris\_k@crane.navy.mil  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89561] Re: 30m  
Message-ID: <3A6F1A89.327C346B@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Keith,

Knowledge of Part 97 is the basis for all we do. Just the same way as your state's DMV regulations are the basis of all the on-road driving you do! You should have a nodding acquaintance of the rules just to be sure what you do is legal! Even internet types can read them, they're on-line!

73  
(one of them old fogey types!)

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:21:46 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Rod Cerkoney <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89562] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124132146.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Frankly Rod, I hope more than a little....

On 24-Jan-01 Rod Cerkoney wrote:

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From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: "Phil Wheeler" <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89563] Re: Repackaging the NC40A  
Message-ID: <0E37WoBDyseVwrbLZz0000000ba@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The devil is in the details.

You just have to plow through all the links and text to get what you after. For example, the table on the bottom of the page, of the first link, indicates 40 coverage as: 14,000 MHz . 14,080 MHz, and the PA schematic indicates Pout to be 3W.

73, Rod N0RC  
Ft Collins CO

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From: "Phil Wheeler" <w7ox@earthlink.net>  
To: <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 11:12 AM  
Subject: Re: Repackaging the NC40A

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> Phil W7OX  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:20:36 -0500  
From: hamjoel@juno.com  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89564] 30 mtr fox hunt..  
Message-ID: <20010124.132040.-523897.12.hamjoel@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

One thing has been overlooked heah...

the fox hunt takes up 3 to 6 khz... that a lot of space on 30 mtrs...  
u got the fox freq... then folk calling up to 4khz away up and down from  
the fox freq...

Also u might remember except to a qrp-l member the fox is useless...  
means nothing, good for nothing....

Also u might want to note that if we do not honor this gentlemen's  
agreement why should anyone honor our (qrp) use of 7.040 or any other qrp  
freq...

As I recall when I was pushing for the fox to qrs to around 20wpm... it  
was pointed out that this (fox hunt) was a contest and therefore the  
speed needed to increase to work meaux folk...

so, is we gonna claim the fox hunt is a contest and at the same time  
that the fox hunt is not a contest...

This is not in the spirit of the 30mtr band operation and if we don't  
honor this "spirit" we should not expect any respect for any of our freqs  
or activities... this move is unnecessary and if we block existing  
communications on 30... we can expect the fcc to step in...

great qrp publicity...

No, I an't mad, or raving... just dissapointed ... and won't operate  
"fox" on thirty meters... even iffin others do and have lots of fun with  
it... cause 30mtrs would be a good freq to do this kind of thing...iffin  
it was in the spirit of the band...

KE1LA JOEL

DISPLACED CAJUN LAD  
IN MAINE...oo U'ALL  
O-FISH-ILL oo Shrink

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:49:55 -0600  
From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>  
To: Bcieslak@ra.rockwell.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89565] Re: OT Quest for elusive Novice WAS  
Message-ID: <3A6F15C3.4F114B56@swbell.net>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Bcieslak@ra.rockwell.com wrote:

>  
> I plan to operate under all the same restricitons I was  
> under back then. This time around the sunspots will hopefully be a little  
> more favorable and the fist a little steadier. I will be offering a special  
> QSL commerating my operation during the 2001-2002 time frame. Hopefully the  
> novice bands will still be around long enough to finish my quest. I also  
> plan to keep a diary that I will publish on a web page somewhere. It will  
> illustrate my experiences a novice, now and then. Stay tuned.  
>  
> So see you in the novice bands,  
>  
> Brian AE9K/ ex WN9IRO

Brian, you going to operate crystal control also? HI

Novice Roundup is coming up, next month I believe. That plus the cub fox  
hunts ought to give you a quick start, especially if you can get a slot  
as the fox.

Good luck,  
73 de Dave, N0IT, ex-KN8ROR

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:25:39 -0800

From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89566] Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <01c08633\$0e0d9880\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have some questions, and hopefully someone can answer them for me. Who made the Gentlemen's agreement about contesting on the WARC bands? When was it done? Where is it so I can read it.

I have been licensed continuously since 1976, and I was never asked to participate in a "Gentlemen's Agreement". I never saw a survey or a vote taken, but I could have missed it. If the ARRL made it, am I bound to it? If the ARRL made it, who gave them the authority to do it for all hams? Since there is supposedly a Gentleman's Agreement, it should be written somewhere shouldn't it? What exactly is in this agreement?

By the way, there have been contests on the WARC bands. NorCal sponsored one a few years ago. The contest manager did not know about the agreement, and he made a ruling that all bands were eligible for use. What an uproar that caused. I was asked if NorCal was part of the agreement, and I said no, we had never been asked, so I guess technically the answer was no. But the next year we specifically said no WARC bands in QRP to the Field. It made things simpler.

Someone commented that DX operations are a one time thing, and that Fox Hunts are regularly scheduled. Well, you could say that Fox hunts are DX type operations, as there is a different operator for every hunt, just as there is a different operator for DX Expeditions. I think that you can probably find more DX type operations on the air in a year's time than fox hunts.

Anyway, if anyone knows the answers to the questions above, please post to the list, as I am sure that many others are just as curious as I am. 72,  
Doug, KI6DS

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:18:27 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: n5nw@midsouth.rr.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89567] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <3A6F1C73.95B89BE7@erols.com>

MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Marty,

I didn't make that particular observation about CW, sorry. But while the line is open I will make another observation of what would make CW more fun. Stop equating CW fun with "head copy" or high speeds/ Those people who can do 55 wpm on a regular basis should be congratulated but face it, it is mostly a head trip! You can have fun with CW at 5 wpm. Remember the old Novice days? You can have just as much fun at 18 wpm as 25, and the difference in message throughput is minimal! You can enjoy CW by writing down everything or by just listening. The important things are that you use it, and that you enjoy what you are doing!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:24:36 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Shepherd@aol.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89568] RE: DIRTY METERS????  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124132436.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

I think there are some that should be treated as Smithfield Hams, and dunked in water for 24 hours before cooking.

John W2AGN (who didn't know that about Smithfield hams the first time...boy was that tough!)

On 24-Jan-01 Shepherd@aol.com wrote:

> And also this talk about "New Hams" and "Old Hams", what does age have  
> to  
> do with it, as long as they are cured right, they taste the same.  
>  
>:-D  
>  
> 72, oo  
> Dan, N8IE

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:24:32 -0800  
From: "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>  
To: "'qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89569] Voltage Doubler  
Message-ID: <60F1FEB31CA3D211A1B60008C7A45F4309980130@blaze.bcsc.GOV.BC.CA>  
Content-return: allowed  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

I would like to be able to charge 12volt gel-cells (lead-acid) from the cigarette lighter in a vehicle. The charger I have requires a minimum of 22 volts to charge a 12 volt battery. Does anyone know of a voltage doubler circuit that can provide the required voltage using the car battery?

Doug VA7DD

MailTo:Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:06:24 -0700  
From: "Ron, KU7Y" <ku7y@qsl.net>  
To: QRP-L <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89570] DX Donations and 2:1 SWR  
Message-ID: <007501c08632\$3e6272e0\$4bc6a9d8@com>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Hi Folks,

Go to any of the many DX WEB sites and look to see if those Ukrainians are really for "real".

If they are a legit operation, there will be lots of information out there. If not, you will either find nothing or info exposing them for what they are.

I have no idea if they are legit or not and will leave it up to those who can surf the WEB to find out!

OK, back in my hole to try to understand just how I can loose half my power by using a vertical with a 2:1 SWR..... but then I just drove 17 hours

yesterday to get here to Boise before the weather gets nasty so maybe I'm missing something!

cul, Ron KU7Y  
Full time RVing somewhere in the West!  
(Currently near Quartzsite, AZ)  
A Proud AZScQRPion  
\*\*\*Colt: The original point and click interface\*\*\*

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:31:48 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89571] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124133148.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Let me make an actual serious observation, I support of Bruces comments. CW is fun at ANY speed. I have been operating 99% CW for the past 5 years, since being "born again" to QRP, and my CW speed is still maxxed out at about 25 wpm, and I am happiest at 18-20. I have been working on copying in my head, just because I am to cheap to buy notepads, which I go through in bunches. I would love to be be able to carry on a conversation with the XYL, feed the dog, and run a CW QSO at 35+ WPM at the same time as some can do, but I can't. That doesn't mean I can't enjoy CW.

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Bruce Muscolino wrote:

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> Marty,  
>  
> I didn't make that particular observation about CW, sorry. But while  
> the line is open I will make another observation of what would make CW  
> more fun. Stop equating CW fun with "head copy" or high speeds/ Those  
> people who can do 55 wpm on a regular basis should be congratulated but  
> face it, it is mostly a head trip! You can have fun with CW at 5 wpm.  
> Remember the old Novice days? You can have just as much fun at 18 wpm  
> as 25, and the difference in message throughput is minimal! You can  
> enjoy CW by writing down everything or by just listening. The important  
> things are that you use it, and that you enjoy what you are doing!  
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and Drake Mail List Pages

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:39:27 -0500  
From: "Dave Benham" <dodgeboy@mindspring.com>  
To: <aweiss@usd.edu>, <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89573] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <004701c08634\$fc23cd40\$40d279a5@hqa.chrysler.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Does anyone know what volume of helium will lift so many ounces/pounds of antenna?

Dave K8TRF

----- Original Message -----

From: Adrian Weiss <aweiss@usd.edu>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 3:21 AM  
Subject: Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.

> Hi Roy and gang: Great post! Lot of good points and a lot of  
> great humor!  
>  
> I think someone else mentioned birthday balloons as a useful tool  
> for getting wires over pine trees. There is another use in a restricted  
> area, although the bill will come every so often just like the electric or  
> gas bill.  
>  
> This is as simple as it gets. You get a birthday balloon at the local  
> gift store or where ever you can find one. Then secure your selected  
length  
> of wire, such as 1/2-wavelength, to the balloon. Don't forget to anchor  
the  
> loose end. For "on the air" periods, just open the window and fly the  
> balloon, closing the window on the piece of anchor wood. Attach the  
> anchor end to your tuner, the tuner to your xmtr via whatever length  
> of coax reaches, work out a ground such as the cold water pipe in the  
> kitchen or bath, and commence operating. If the wind isn't too bad, you'll  
> have a slopper, if the wind is bad, a horizontal, and if no wind, a  
vertical.  
> Of course, if the wind changes during a QSO you'r signal will either go

> up, down, or die. When done working dx, roll'er back in. These balloons  
> usually will hold enough helium to float for several days. Then, go buy  
> a new balloon. We QRP'rs tend to be cheapskates -- a circuit is roundly  
> condemned if it uses more than 2 parts over \$1.00 or more. But hey, you  
> can't take it with you, and the balloon-hung antenna is perfect. So the  
> landlord comes over around 4:22 during a Sat aft QRP contest, pounds on  
> the door, and asks "What the h\*\*\* is that balloon doing up there?" Well,  
> it's a birthday balloon, and your friend in the next block's birthday is  
today.  
> Then youkeep spinning stuff. It is not a permanent structure and could  
> probably get by the CC&R small type.  
>  
> My sting in Acton MA in the third floor of an apt. worked ok for 40m  
because  
> I had a closet access to the attic. A fullsize 40m dipole left a lot of  
space  
> for longer. But that wouldn't do for 160. So with the 160 contest  
approaching,  
> I decided I couldn't take it with me, got a weather balloon at an army  
suprlus  
> outlet or somewhere, and shelled out the incredibly huge sum of \$36 for  
> my own regular big helium tank. I had to deflate the balloon on off-days.  
> It worked nicely until someone cut it loose after around 0300! Still have  
the  
> tank. Don't know if the helium is still in there or not.  
>  
> Balloons are fun in themselves, so the expenditure can be doubly  
rationalized.  
> Fun flying balloons, fun working QRP!  
>  
> 72, Ade

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:03:39 -0500 (EST)  
From: <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>  
To: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89574] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <Pine.BSI.4.05L.10101241401440.20065-100000@vh1.min.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Wed, 24 Jan 2001, John L. Sielke wrote:

> Gee, I was planning on getting on 10.106 and calling CQ, but now I have to see  
is

> said operation passes the test. I did call CQ there yesterday, so I might be  
accused  
> of a regularly scheduled event. This could set a precedent, and I might be  
tempted  
> to do it again tomorrow!

Building strawmen and playing logic games can get real old, real quick.

>  
> The heck with it, I'll go to 20M.

Gee, and I was going to listen for you, because there aren't a lot  
of signals from "events" cluttering the band

73  
Thom

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:44:24 -0800  
From: "Davies, Doug A FOR:EX" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>  
To: "'qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU'" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89575] RE: Voltage Doubler  
Message-ID: <60F1FEB31CA3D211A1B60008C7A45F4309980131@blaze.bcsc.GOV.BC.CA>  
Content-return: allowed  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=iso-8859-1  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT

The batteries I want to charge are 18 amp/hour. That means I will need at  
least 1.8 amps (C/10) to charge them. So the circuit will need to be able  
to handle at least 2 amps to be safe (I think :- ) ).

Doug VA7DD

MailTo:Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:33:03 -0800  
From: oxf01@maxmail.co.uk  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89576] re: Transceivers for Backpacking-Thanks!  
Message-ID: <3A6F4A0F.7F0C@maxmail.co.uk>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all who responded to my request for ideas for reducing current drain in backspacing transceivers. I've got many responses so it's going to take me a while to sort them into a useful reference list. When I'm done I'll post the link here.

If there's anyone reading this who didn't respond first time round, ideas are still welcome.

Many thanks again.

72

Pete, G4CJX

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:18:13 -0500  
From: ed.kwik@delphiauto.com  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89577] MI QRP Net Results  
Message-ID: <052569DE.0064B173.00@usabhmg99.mail.delphiauto.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

We had seven check ins last night:

|        |     |     |             |    |        |      |
|--------|-----|-----|-------------|----|--------|------|
| K1CL   | 579 | 449 | Chelmsford  | MA | Chuck  | 5w   |
| WB1HBE | 559 | 579 | Chelmsford  | MA | John   | 5w   |
| K8NWD  | 599 | 599 | Waterford   | MI | Tim    | 5w   |
| N8UN   | 599 | 599 | East Jordan | MI | Ed     | 2.5W |
| N3AO   | 579 | 599 | Paoli       | PA | Carter | 5w   |
| W1NQ   | 449 | 479 |             | MA | Jerry  | 5w   |
| WB8CIN | 599 | 599 | Jackson     | MI | Mike   |      |

Gee the MA boys tied the MI boys for the most check ins. Lots of 599/579 signals. I would like the debate on doing Fox hunts on 30 to end. Just start augmenting the 40 meter hunts with some 80 meter hunts. Lots of QRM free room around the QRP frequency.

The Michigan QRP net meets each Tuesday night at 9:00 PM Eastern time on 3.535

MHz. All hams are welcome.

TMPS 1/24/01 states=15 countries=3 Bulgaria, Guadeloupe, Belize

Ed AB8DF

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:04:36 -0500  
From: Joe Street <jstreet@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
To: qrp-l <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89578] 30 m QRP HAPPENING  
Message-ID: <3A6F2744.F975CA6D@venus.uwaterloo.ca>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Wow;

Ok several people have already responded with encouraging comments about my idea for a gathering of QRP'ers on 30 m. So I would like to organize a general sked and lets call it the QRP HAPPENING. Rather than asking for a recommendation from the list as to time and opening the doors for another argument I'm just going to say be there every Wednesday at 9:00 PM eastern. Scan the band. Call CQ, or tail end a Q. It doesn't matter and it doesn't need to be any more organized than that. Just be there and do the ham thing. I don't think anyone can get upset about it.

Say..... today is Wednesday. C U at 9 8^)

ve3vx0

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:24:23 -0600  
From: "Joel Kluender, NF9K" <nf9k@eudoramail.com>  
To: nf9k@eudoramail.com, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>, "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
Subject: [89579] Re: K-2 Building  
Message-ID: <CIDFKEIFPEJPBAAA@shared1-mail.whowhere.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Language: en  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Everyone,

Thanks for the encouragement that I received from you guys. I really appreciate the feedback from this list. I'm on digest mode so I miss some of the threads but am always amazed by the help and input that is available at the click of a keyboard.

I'll keep the group posted on the progress of the K2. First task is to get the \$. Current balance of the K2 fund is \$215. It will grow fast if I can sell off more of my unused gear and get my taxes done :)

73

Joel NF9K

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Joel Kluender, NF9K  
870 Prairie Street S.  
Shakopee, MN 55379

Great is the Lord, and worthy of praise!

On Tue, 23 Jan 2001 08:32:54 Mike Yetsko wrote:

>> All,

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>> Thanks for the tons of input on the K2. I've decided to build it  
>myself no matter how long it takes but I better get moving because I  
>want to have it done by Field Day! (Maybe I can find 1 hr /day...)

>>

>> Time to start selling other stuff to get the \$ for the K2 - and fast!

>>

>> Joel NF9K

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>You realize of course that we expect status reports!

>

>And in a timely manner!

>

>And of course there are some of us who will lining up to try to be your  
>first K2 contact.

>

>BACK OFF ED!!!!

>

>Mike

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<http://www.eudoramail.com>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 11:32:36 -0800  
From: Wayne Burdick <n6kr@elecraft.com>  
To: Elecraft <elecraft@qth.net>, qrp <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89580] Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
Message-ID: <3A6F2DD1.C80AF225@elecraft.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Bob Hammond (KI7VY), owner of the Paddlette company, has created a customized version of his Backpacker paddle for the Elecraft K1. The new model BP-K1 can be secured to the KTS1 with a single 10-32 thumbscrew (supplied with the tilt stand). The operator can then adjust the angle of the paddle with respect to the bracket, allowing left or right-handed use. The BP-K1 works well in either the field or desk-top configuration of the tilt stand. It weighs only about 1 ounce.

Bob will also be offering an adapter plate that will allow his standard Paddlette or Backpacker paddles to be attached to the K1's tilt stand. This alternative may be preferred by operators who already own a standard Paddlette, or who wish to use the Backpacker paddle with other rigs besides the K1.

You can find both the BP-K1 paddle and the K1 Adapter on Bob's web site, [www.paddlette.com](http://www.paddlette.com). Bob can be contacted at 425-743-1429, or [bham379627@aol.com](mailto:bham379627@aol.com).

We will be testing paddles from several other manufacturers as well. We'll announce the results of these tests when they're available.

73,  
Wayne, N6KR  
Eric, WA6HHQ

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:33:04 -0500  
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
To: "QRP" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89581] B & N - ARRL Handbooks  
Message-ID: <1010024143304.0AA09177@gate.iterated.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"



Went to a nearby B & N today. Found a 1999 and a 2000 Handbook on the Bargain books rack. They were marked 50% off. Couldn't find a 2001 Handbook. Asked, and the clerk checked, they didn't have any in stock.

So, I bought the 2000 Handbook -- scanned at \$8.00. What a deal.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL                      Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net

Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"

-- Wilbur Wright, 1901

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:29:57 -0600  
From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
To: "'Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca'" <Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca>, Low Power  
Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89582] RE: Voltage Doubler  
Message-ID:  
<E78D8A9D6762D411B5440008C791D4AA01303371@dfwex03.allegiancetelecom.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain

Frankly, Doug, I'd seriously consider changing the charger  
you're using to re-charge those gel cells! Leave that 22 volt  
charger for home use and adapt (or build!) another charger  
for your mobile purposes.

Karl K - W8TIF  
McKinney, Texas

> -----Original Message-----  
> From: Davies, Doug A FOR:EX [SMTP: Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca]  
> Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 12:25 PM  
> To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> Subject: Voltage Doubler  
>  
> I would like to be able to charge 12volt gel-cells (lead-acid) from the  
> cigarette lighter in a vehicle. The charger I have requires a minimum of  
> 22  
> volts to charge a 12 volt battery. Does anyone know of a voltage doubler  
> circuit that can provide the required voltage using the car battery?  
>  
> Doug VA7DD  
>

> MailTo:Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:45:23 -0500  
From: Bill Coleman <aa4lr@arrl.net>  
To: <aweiss@usd.edu>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89583] Re: Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
Message-ID: <1010024144523.0AA09923@gate.iterated.com>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

On 1/24/01 3:34 AM, Adrian Weiss at aweiss@usd.edu wrote:

>The value of their responses is inestimable. I've studied tons of articles  
>and books, and more often than not, the particular twist or answer that  
>I am looking for is not dealt with.

Lots of this material is in the ARRL Handbook. My 1991 version has a whole section written by Walt Maxwell himself, discussing the properties of conjugate matches.

The ARRL had a falling out with Maxwell a few years ago, so I don't know (yet) if current handbooks carry the same material, but there's a lot there in any case.

Bill Coleman, AA4LR, PP-ASEL                      Mail: aa4lr@arrl.net  
Quote: "Not within a thousand years will man ever fly!"  
      -- Wilbur Wright, 1901

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:53:19 -0600  
From: "James Parsons" <res075cz@gte.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89584] Re: Tuner Discussion -- YES!  
Message-ID: <00c101c0863f\$4d0049a0\$7c640304@vz.dsl.genuity.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
              charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> The ARRL had a falling out with Maxwell a few years ago, so I don't know  
> (yet) if current handbooks carry the same material, but there's a lot

> there in any case.

Why?

Jim, K5ROV

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:56:10 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Doug Hendricks <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89585] RE: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124145610.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

I just went through the database on QST for 1983-1985. The only reference I can find is simply that the ARRL excluded the WARC bands from their contests. I would be curious to see this "agreement" also. Sounds like it might be another "Urban Legend."

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Doug Hendricks wrote:

> I have some questions, and hopefully someone can answer them for me.  
> Who  
> made the Gentlemen's agreement about contesting on the WARC bands? When  
> was  
> it done? Where is it so I can read it.  
>  
> I have been licensed continuously since 1976, and I was never asked to  
> participate in a "Gentlemen's Agreement". I never saw a survey or a  
> vote  
> taken, but I could have missed it. If the ARRL made it, am I bound to  
> it?  
> If the ARRL made it, who gave them the authority to do it for all hams?  
> Since there is supposedly a Gentleman's Agreement, it should be written  
> somewhere shouldn't it? What exactly is in this agreement?

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:00:34 -0500  
From: "Pastor-KC1DI" <elbc@pivot.net>

To: <w5usj@globeco.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89586] Re: That blasted HAAAAHA virus again! \*\*Watch Attachments\*\*  
Message-ID: <00a901c08640\$52bcaea0\$b910a1d0@elbc>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi All,

With all the talk about Virus and worms etc, one would think that we would all have virus checking software. Now I know we are Qrpers and the spirit of qrp saz don't buy what you can build and don't spend more than needed .. and I always fall into that catagory , but here the URL for a free downloadable version of AVG Anti Virus.. you never have to register or pay for it if you don't want.. and it works relitively well. Updates are free about once a month or more often if there is a serious threat. The program have found and quarenteed all email viruses i've received on QRP-L and other Lists . has worked flawlessly what more could you ask for ?

Here's the URL:

[http://www.grisoft.com/html/us\\_index.cfm](http://www.grisoft.com/html/us_index.cfm)

hope this helps.

73 & 72 Dave KC1DI

P.S. I can be found most afternoons or early evenings on 30 m QRP great band.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 13:05:27 -0700  
From: "Rod Cerkoney" <n0rc@hotmail.com>  
To: <n6kr@elecraft.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Cc: "Eric Swartz WA6HHQ - Elecraft" <eric@elecraft.com>  
Subject: [89587] Re: Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
Message-ID: <0E35o95EFk2H3b98Ktd00000151@hotmail.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

THIS IS GOOD STUFF. The melding and joint marketing of "primo" quality QRP gear.

Boy Wayne, first you intro the digi mode for the K2, forcing me to want another SSB module. Then you intro this "Cool Key Thingy" making me want a K1 Tilt stand! I'll be calling Lisa later today to amend my K1 order. ;-)

73, Rod N0RC  
Ft Collins CO

----- Original Message -----

From: "Wayne Burdick" <n6kr@elecraft.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 12:32 PM  
Subject: Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver

> Bob Hammond (KI7VY), owner of the Paddlette company, has created a  
> customized version of his Backpacker paddle for the Elecraft K1. The  
new  
> model BP-K1 can be secured to the KTS1 with a single 10-32  
thumbscrew  
> (supplied with the tilt stand). The operator can then adjust the  
angle

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:08:38 -0800  
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
To: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89588] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <01c08641\$70dcf920\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thank you John. I have heard of this "gentlemen's agreement" but have never been able to find anyone who could show me a copy of it. Someone commented that we would not have gotten the WARC bands without it. I doubt that is the case, but will be open to seeing evidence that indicates otherwise. I don't think the FCC cares what bands we operate contests on. If others know other facts or have information, I would appreciate hearing about it.

Anyone know the Dayton weather???

72, Doug

-----Original Message-----

From: John L. Sielke <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Doug Hendricks <ki6ds@dph.dpol.net>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 11:52 AM  
Subject: RE: Gentlemen's agreement??

>I just went through the database on QST for 1983-1985. The only reference  
>I can find is simply that the ARRL excluded the WARC bands from their  
>contests. I would be curious to see this "agreement" also. Sounds like it  
>might be another "Urban Legend."  
>  
>John W2AGN  
>  
>  
>On 24-Jan-01 Doug Hendricks wrote:  
>> I have some questions, and hopefully someone can answer them for me.  
>> Who  
>> made the Gentlemen's agreement about contesting on the WARC bands? When  
>> was  
>> it done? Where is it so I can read it.  
>>  
>> I have been licensed continuously since 1976, and I was never asked to  
>> participate in a "Gentlemen's Agreement". I never saw a survey or a  
>> vote  
>> taken, but I could have missed it. If the ARRL made it, am I bound to  
>> it?  
>> If the ARRL made it, who gave them the authority to do it for all hams?  
>> Since there is supposedly a Gentleman's Agreement, it should be written  
>> somewhere shouldn't it? What exactly is in this agreement?

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:11:19 -0500 (GMT+5)  
From: <wd9eyb@butler.qrp.com>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Cc: wvara@butler.qrp.com  
Subject: [89589] Klunky Schematic Annotation  
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.3.95.1010124150638.28756C-1000000@butler.qrp.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I've added a clunky annotation function to the Klunky schematic page.  
Put label symbols in your schematic where you want labels.  
Go to the utilities page and fill out the labels.  
It scans left to right, top to bottom.  
Generate the HTML and save it.

Here's an annotated Colpitts oscillator.  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/oscann.html>

The Klunky schematic web page is at  
<http://butler.qrp.com/~wd9eyb/klunky/>

Jim, WD9EYB

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:23:17 -0800  
From: Bob Nielsen <nielsen@oz.net>  
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89590] Re: DIRTY METERS????  
Message-ID: <20010124122317.C1649@oz.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Disposition: inline

As Emily Latella would say, nevermind!

On Wed, Jan 24, 2001 at 01:04:08PM -0500, Shephed@aol.com wrote:  
> What the hell is all this crap about dirty meters, and what do tests  
> have to with it?  
>  
> Come on people, I keep my meters clean, and i don't have to take no  
> more conflag tests.  
>  
> And also this talk about "New Hams" and "Old Hams", what does age  
> have to do with it, as long as they are cured right, they taste the  
> same.  
>

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Bob Nielsen, N7XY  
Bainbridge Island, WA  
nielsen@oz.net  
<http://www.oz.net/~nielsen>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:24:18 -0500  
From: Harris Keith E CONT CNIN <harris\_k@crane.navy.mil>  
To: "'qrp-l@lehigh.edu'" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89591] Re: 30m Foxhunt  
Message-ID:  
<4F76B3D4A76AD111803B00A0C9893D9C06ED8CD7@cninexchsrv05.crane.navy.mil>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain

Gang,

According to the American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language, fourth edition, 2000; Gentleman's Agreement is defined as "An unwritten agreement guaranteed only by the pledged word or secret understanding of the participants". (*italics mine*) So I guess find it written down somewhere may be a little difficult.

73 de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:33:38 -0500  
From: "Steve Hanson" <ke1lg@qsilver.net>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89592] Unbuilt DSW 30  
Message-ID: <000b01c08644\$efd3b0e0\$8f95e3d8@mint.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have an unbuilt/unpacked DSW 30. Anyone have any idea what the current re-sale value might be?  
Might not be able to build it, (detached retina)

Steve in Maine, KE1LG  
ke1lg@qsilver.net

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:43:41 EST  
From: N10DL@aol.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89593] Customized Paddlette available for K1 transceiver  
Message-ID: <73.a5eb012.27a0987d@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have one of these little keys and love it. I also have the Knee strap for it. this Key feels just like a larger paddle I use now. This will be attached to the new K1 I am getting soon. I highly suggest it. (as usual, no connection, just love this little key)



Aron  
N1ODL  
Bedford, NH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:45:10 -0500  
From: "Brian" <brian@iquest.net>  
To: <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89594] Re: Voltage Doubler  
Message-ID: <000901c08646\$8af923b0\$3d05080a@cincom.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Here's a charger...

<http://www.fpqrp.com/pigg20/batchrg.htm>

Will that work out?

I'm building one now.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 2:29 PM  
Subject: RE: Voltage Doubler

> Frankly, Doug, I'd seriously consider changing the charger  
> you're using to re-charge those gel cells! Leave that 22 volt  
> charger for home use and adapt (or build!) another charger  
> for your mobile purposes.

>  
> Karl K - W8TIF  
> McKinney, Texas  
>

> > -----Original Message-----

> > From: Davies, Doug A FOR:EX [SMTP:Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca]  
> > Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 12:25 PM  
> > To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> > Subject: Voltage Doubler  
> >

> > I would like to be able to charge 12volt gel-cells (lead-acid) from the  
> > cigarette lighter in a vehicle. The charger I have requires a minimum

of  
> > 22  
> > volts to charge a 12 volt battery. Does anyone know of a voltage  
doubler  
> > circuit that can provide the required voltage using the car battery?  
> >  
> > Doug VA7DD  
> >  
> > MailTo:Doug.Davies@gems3.gov.bc.ca  
>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:54:46 -0500  
From: hamjoel@juno.com  
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89595] possible 30 mtr solution  
Message-ID: <20010124.155447.-488077.7.hamjoel@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Rather than change bands

why not move the hunt into the first 25khz of the 40mtr band or have the  
fox down thair and the rest of us just above 025.... most of the list is  
extra class.... those of us what an't could still work the split above  
025

or it would give us incentive to get the extra...

Then we could also move the fox hunt to the upper end of 40mtrs... from  
7225 up... the band up thair is in better condition than 040 and cw is  
allowed in that part of the band...

moving to the bottom of the band seems the simplest solution... it's  
fairly clear down thair, at least the times I've listened...possible dx  
participation also...maybe even a dx team or two... let's leave thirty  
alone and geaux to the bottom of forty....

KE1LA JOEL

DISPLACED CAJUN LAD

IN MAINE...oo U'ALL

O-FISH-ILL oo Shrink

WED NITE NCS FP

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 12:56:01 -0500  
From: Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
To: unlisted-recipients;; (no To-header on input)  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89596] Re: 30m and contests  
Message-ID: <3A6F1731.228826C4@uniserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I was suprised at how many hams are indifferent to contests. While at a hamfest a group, five or six of us, were sucking up coffee and talking about the hobby. Some of the highlights of the conversation were:

- 1) Favorite Band :- 20 Meters.
- 2) Favorite Modes :- SSB, CW.
- 3) Favorite Activity During a Contest :- Something other than Ham Radio.
- 4) Typical coment on contesting :- "Well its not every weekend. Gives me a chance to accumulate some 'attaboys'".

No one in my recollection was annoyed about contesting, we agreed we just didn't see what was interesting about contesting: simply not our cup of tea, (substitute your favorite beverage). What I took away as the mood of that conversation was that contesting tends to dominate the favored bands, and although all activities were equal during contesting some activities were more equal than others. Nonetheless it really didn't bother anyone because there were enough other weekends that were open to all activities.

Amateur radio is not a single hobby, it is a multitude of hobbies. Mostly the hobby is a vehicle for learning. For some, it is a vehicle for learning about other cultures; or a technical activity; or aquiring an arcane skill e.g. high speed CW, (amongst others); or it is a vehicle for a display of wealth; ...; fill in what

you will.

Despite all these variations radio amateurs are more alike than not with respect to the hobby, and the manner with which we treat each other is the manner with which we treat ourselves. Our hobby requires freedom to grow, consequently we must use flexible common agreement that reflects consideration of each others' interests within the laws to which we are bound. To do otherwise diminishes us.

73 John/VE7CFG

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:15:48 -0500  
From: Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
To: w6toy@erols.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89597] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3A6EF1A4.B978F34E@uniserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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73 John/VE7CFG

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 10:30:07 -0500  
From: Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
To: agtaylor@llnl.gov  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89598] Re: NC40A repackaging  
Message-ID: <3A6EF4FF.2D323D02@uniserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I disagree on the usefulness of a RIT, when listening which is mostly what I do, (I need a good paddle, not expensive 'good'), or in a round table the RIT proves useful. Last week during a QSO I also discovered that some noise reduction occurs when using a RIT, of course that could be due to the frequency response of my hearing.

73 John/VE7CFG

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:05:34 -0600  
From: Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89599] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <3A6F439E.671CE2F6@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The no contests rule is actually a "gentlemen's agreement" and is not a regulation.

Is the QRP-L foxhunt a contest? Well, it may not have been one at first, but anything that has scores published as regularly as we see here and as many ardent competitors certainly looks like a contest to me.

I'd say DXCC is not a "contest" in and of itself. However, the so-called "Honor Roll" (I have some other names for it) is indeed a contest. It just has been running for a long time period instead of a single weekend.

Should we use 30 m. more? Absolutely. Do we need a foxhunt in order to do so? Nope. A net, like the MI-QRP or similar, would make a good group QRP activity for 30 m. No one could complain that a net was a violation of any agreement.

-- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
KA9NZI, Seneca Twp., McHenry Co., IL Grid: EN52rg  
QRP-L #2124 <http://www.qsl.net/ka9nzi/>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:15:21 -0600  
From: "George Lee" <georgekr5c@cablelynx.com>  
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89600] Lengthy discussions  
Message-ID: <005401c0864a\$ce297820\$690acc18@cablelynx.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Please, guys.....stop the incessant rantings on ARRL es CW along with the  
30M ravings!!!!

You are wearing out my \*delete\* key!

72, 73+25 and 88  
George KR5C  
Asbestos underwear freshly laundered.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:21:06 -0500  
From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>  
To: <ka9nzi@arrl.net>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89601] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <003701c0864b\$c2ef3660\$2101a8c0@insydesw.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

You posting finally kicked my mind sideways enough to think of the  
analogy I was looking for...

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night bowling league a contest.

Mike

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> a single weekend.  
>  
> -- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:22:25 -0600  
From: Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <[ka9nzi@arrl.net](mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net)>  
To: [qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU)  
Subject: [89602] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <3A6F4791.8292D28D@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

These agreements are made by representative groups, not by a general vote of all hams. You weren't allowed to vote on the license restructuring, either, were you? And that one has the force of law.

The no contest agreement was agreed upon by the ARRL and similar national organizations (not necessarily all of 'em). These types of agreements do not have the force of law, and the FCC will not revoke your license for breaking them. However, you will find that you are in disagreement with the majority of active hams if you do so, and why would you want to do that? Just so someone can call you a LID? Break enough of these agreements and the FCC just might call you on the carpet for failing to maintain "good amateur practice" or something like that. Or for undue interference, which is against the law and can be subject to interpretation.

In most places, good manners are only a social convention as well. Does that mean you should dispense with them as a violation of your "rights" to be crude? I hope not.

-- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
KA9NZI, Seneca Twp., McHenry Co., IL Grid: EN52rg  
QRP-L #2124 <http://www.qsl.net/ka9nzi/>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:24:36 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <[w5yr@att.net](mailto:w5yr@att.net)>

To: somerville@uniserve.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89603] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3A6F4814.C0AEBA20@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Perhaps a more likely disaster scenario with a get-away balloon with a long wire attached would be the damage that would occur if the wire came in contact with electrical lines. Don't have to get very high for that to happen . . .

72/73, George    W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas            NETXQRP 6

Fairview, TX    30 mi NE Dallas in Collin county            QRP-L 1373  
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> where pilots would only be foolhardy to go.  
>  
> 73 John/VE7CFG

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:27:10 +0000  
From: "Ronald A. Pfeiffer" <Ronald\_A\_Pfeiffer@res.raytheon.com>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89604] FS QRP stuff UPDATE  
Message-ID: <3A6F025E.BC055FCB@res.raytheon.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

SOLD        1. \$ 95        LDG-QRP tuner built in LDG enclosure( using with  
K2)  
2. \$120       Radio Shack HTX-10 like new in box  
SOLD        3. \$40        KE6RIE Straight Key



SOLD 4. \$225 IC R10 .5khz - 2 Ghz receiver/scanner like new in box  
SOLD 5. \$30 NORCAL BLT unbuilt  
SOLD 6. \$110 NORCAL EPIPHYTE III unbuilt  
SOLD 7. \$55 MS-15 unbuilt Steve Weber 15M , 5W , CW kit  
SOLD 8. \$25 KANGA KIT - Super Tee tuner unbuilt

Thank everyone for your responses. BUT doesn;t anyone want the Radio Shack 10M mobile!

Ron - N1ZSW

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:35:49 -0600  
From: Gary Lee Phillips KA9NZI <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU  
Subject: [89605] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3A6F4AB5.6E302D7D@arrl.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I have actually used balloons for a field day antenna (loop) which worked very well. Doing so really is no more of a threat to aviators than any number of other day to day activities. Just use some good sense in designing your setup.

Wandering balloons occur anyway. Not that you should let that happen, but make sure that if it does, the balloon doesn't have 100 feet of wire trailing from it. This isn't hard to avoid. And don't use the balloons to raise the antenna to an extreme height that would pose a threat. The usual 50 or 60 feet should be perfectly adequate, and much easier to design for.

I prefer latex rubber "weather" balloons to the aluminized mylar "birthday" type. The rubber ones are more likely to break down uneventfully in the environment if one actually does escape.

-- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
KA9NZI, Seneca Twp., McHenry Co., IL Grid: EN52rg  
QRP-L #2124 <http://www.qsl.net/ka9nzi/>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:39:23 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>

To: w6toy@erols.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89606] Re: League's stand on CW  
Message-ID: <3A6F4B8B.2182DD89@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I wonder if an email would not be much more likely to get a response than a snail-mail letter?

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Bruce Muscolino wrote:

>  
> Paul,  
>  
> Kinda reminds me of one of my heroes in ham radio, Wayne Green. He has  
> steadfastly maintained his League membership just so he can complain  
> about what they do! 'We have the League to defend our frequencies and  
> our interests', but what do we really have if we are not members? As a  
> member your input gets counted even if they don't answer your letters!  
> As a matter of fact, it used to be League policy to acknowledge receipt  
> of a member's letter, no matter what. That has changed in the last 15  
> years, maybe because the volume is too high, maybe because the policy  
> has changed, but they still get counted!  
>  
> 73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:41:23 -0600  
From: "Gary Lee Phillips" <ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
To: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>, qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89607] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <200101242141.PAA20571@mail.lib.colum.edu>

> I think calling a 'Fox Hunt' a contest is like trying to call a Tuesday  
> night bowling league a contest.  
>

Gosh, guess what? I do think a Tuesday night bowling league is a contest. It isn't as intense as the Superbowl or a boxing match,

but it's still a contest.

This is all a matter of degree, and shades of gray. I agree that a QRP foxhunt does *\*not\** have the impact of field day or CQWWDX, but on the other hand, 30 m. is really, really a nice place because it doesn't have these sorts of things going on.

And no, I don't like the idea of drilling for oil in the Alaska refuge, either, so there.

-- Gary Phillips, Marengo, IL <mailto:ka9nzi@arrl.net>  
KA9NZI, Seneca Twp., McHenry Co., IL Grid: EN52rg  
QRP-L #2124 <http://www.qsl.net/ka9nzi/>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:32:07 -0600  
From: Dave Sjolin <[sjolin@swbell.net](mailto:sjolin@swbell.net)>  
To: hamjoel@juno.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>  
Subject: [89608] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
Message-ID: <3A6F49D7.C2DD00D7@swbell.net>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

hamjoel@juno.com wrote:

>  
> One thing has been overlooked heah...  
> the fox hunt takes up 3 to 6 khz... that a lot of space on 30 mtrs...  
> u got the fox freq... then folk calling up to 4khz away up and down from  
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73 de Dave, N0IT

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:54:20 -0500  
From: "Charles Mabbott" <[crmabbott@mediaone.net](mailto:crmabbott@mediaone.net)>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <[qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU](mailto:qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU)>

Subject: [89609] 30 meters check the web, not list  
Message-ID: <GAECLOGOMILPLBGKKPEGGEKKCCAA.crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

IARU REGION II NEWS - MARCH/APRIL 2000 # 2000/02

Journal of the International Amateur Radio Union -

IARU Region II

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ARRL ANNOUNCES NEW DXCC AWARDS

"This year, eligible bands are 160, 80, 40, 20, 10, and 6 meters. The band list will be increased each year until all bands (except 30 meters) are included

ITU

it was decided at the Atlantic City Conference to make the ITU a specialized government agency of the United Nations and to move its headquarters from Bern, Switzerland to Geneva the following year. The most important change, however, was that membership become open only to sovereign nations, each of which would have one vote.

Another section,

"The 10 MHz or 30 metre band is unique because it shares characteristics of both daytime and night-time bands. Communication up to 3000 km is typical during daytime, and this extends halfway around the world. The band is generally open via F2 on a 24-hour basis."

The main reason for no contesting on 30 meters for US hams is, it is not our primary, but a shared frequency.

See chart

<http://vigyanprasar.com/ham/FREQ.htm>

73,

Chuck AA8VS

Soapbox/ OFF

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:53:07 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
To: hamjoel@juno.com  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89610] Re: possible 30 mtr solution  
Message-ID: <3A6F4EC3.3A95A2D7@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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Joel, don't pass out, but I think you have a pretty good idea! <:}

The Fox could operate at either 7024 or 7026 depending on license class and the Hounds could, as usual, congregate 2 - 4 KHz higher. I see little wrong with that other than a few DXers that might get their feathers ruffled at bit.

But considering that each 20 of the Hounds emit no more power than the (at least) 100 watters that normally inhabit this end of the band, it is hard to see that much QRM would result. Further, most of the stations I hear/work down there are running much more than 100 watts, even the DX stations who are frequently as loud as stateside stations, especially the Europeans that time of the evening.

Joel, however good an idea this is, I really doubt that we will see it implemented. There is just too much inertia and tradition for operation around 7040, despite the ever increasing SSB, digital and non-Fox QRM. I guess in a way that makes the Hunts more difficult and challenging . . .

But, see? We \*do\* agree on something!

72/73, George W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas NETXQRP 6

Fairview, TX 30 mi NE Dallas in Collin county QRP-L 1373  
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hamjoel@juno.com wrote:

>  
> Rather than change bands  
> why not move the hunt into the first 25khz of the 40mtr band or have the  
> fox down thair and the rest of us just above 025.... most of the list is  
> extra class.... those of us what an't could still work the split above

> 025  
> or it would give us incentive to get the extra...  
>       Then we could also move the fox hunt to the upper end of 40mtrs... from  
> 7225 up... the band up there is in better condition than 040 and cw is  
> allowed in that part of the band...  
>       moving to the bottom of the band seems the simplest solution... it's  
> fairly clear down there, at least the times I've listened...possible dx  
> participation also...maybe even a dx team or two... let's leave thirty  
> alone and go back to the bottom of forty....  
> KE1LA JOEL  
> DISPLACED CAJUN LAD  
> IN MAINE...oo U'ALL  
> O-FISH-ILL oo Shrink  
> WED NITE NCS FP

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:03:12 -0500  
From: "Charles Mabbott" <crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89611] I enjoy ARRL and paying dues  
Message-ID: <GAECLOGOMILPLBGKKPEGOEKKCCAA.crmabbott@mediaone.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
          charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I don't feel guilty about taking issues with them.  
I use many aspects of ham radio because it is fun  
and a diversion from the [\$\$] job. Takes my mind  
of pressures of the day, meet a great bunch of guys,  
and have a spirited discussion!

I will always take issue with the ARRL and generally  
found them responsive, sometimes it is waffling or  
non committal, but a response.

It is just like elections if you don't vote don't  
complain..... But we need ... never mind.  
73,  
Chuck AA8VS

-----Original Message-----  
From: owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU [mailto:owner-qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU] On Behalf Of  
Dave Sjolín  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 4:32 PM

To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
Subject: Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:55:16 -0600  
From: Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
To: sjolin@swbell.net, qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89612] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
Message-ID: <3.0.1.32.20010124155516.00ce1ce0@hiwaay.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 15:32 1/24/01 -0600, you wrote:

>  
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>interested in trying a fox hunt on 30.  
>  
>73 de Dave, N0IT  
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I have read the foxhunt on 30 posts with interest but have also used my  
delete key actively.

I would like to make a suggestion that might suit everyone . . . .I know  
I'm dreaming again.

Why not pick a fox, pick a date, pick a 30 meter frequency, make a list

here on QRP-1 of those interested, assign times for each station to try the fox, let the fox work those he can hear at only their assigned times and keep his list, report back here on QRP-1.

Now I know it does away with all the clamor, but doesn't it just as well show who can catch him and who can't? You might look at it as a one dog fox hunt, the same way we Southern boys hunts squirrels;-)

It would be a scheduled propagation test not a contest.

73,

Richard WA4NWW

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:09:35 -0500  
From: Jim Lyons <lyons@canada.com>  
To: w2agn@pobox.com, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89613] RE: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <3.0.5.32.20010124170935.007ce8d0@pop.videotron.ca>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 02:56 PM 24/01/01 -0500, John L. Sielke wrote:  
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Jim Lyons, VE2KN  
Montreal



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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:13:28 -0500  
From: "Dave Benham" <dodgeboy@mindspring.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89614] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <019601c08652\$e1f453e0\$40d279a5@hqa.chrysler.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
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TIA.

73,  
Dave K8TRF

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:14:21 -0500  
From: "Steve Hanson" <ke1lg@qsilver.net>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89615] Many Thanks...  
Message-ID: <003601c08653\$00cb39a0\$8f95e3d8@mint.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
        charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Many thanks to all of the list members who responded to my DSW30 inquiry. I had over a dozen offers from people who would build it for me, many for no money, much advice, and many offers to buy. Overall, I received over 30 responses-what a great group of people! Haven't yet decided what to do, but am overwhelmed by response.

Steve in Maine,KE1LG

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:12:41 -0600  
From: Richard Matthews <prm@hiwaay.net>  
To: dodgeboy@mindspring.com, qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89616] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3.0.1.32.20010124161241.00cb5100@hiwaay.net>  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

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>TIA.

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>73,

>Dave K8TRF

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checkout the Central NH website, they have pictures, evidently someone  
there has experience with balloon supported ants

73

Richard WA4NWW

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:22:43 -0600  
From: "Bill Harbour" <bharbour@co.baldwin.al.us>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89617] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <005f01c08654\$2bab37f0\$e2146482@test90>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"

I agree with you Jim...I'm not a big tester and it's very nice to be able

to QSO wid QRP on 30 when there is wall to wall QRM during a contest. My vote is to keep the contest off of 30m.

Bill  
KD4PWB  
<http://kd4pwb.homepage.com>

----- Original Message -----

From: "Jim Lyons" <lyons@canada.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 4:09 PM  
Subject: RE: Gentlemen's agreement??

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> Montreal  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:44:12 -0600  
From: Dave Sjolín <sjolin@swbell.net>  
To: ki6ds@dph.dpol.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89618] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??

Message-ID: <3A6F4CAC.30DADB30@swbell.net>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Doug Hendricks wrote:

>

> I have some questions, and hopefully someone can answer them for me. Who  
> made the Gentlemen's agreement about contesting on the WARC bands? When was  
> it done? Where is it so I can read it.

Doug you might want to read the original WARC announcement in QST or one  
of the editorials following WARC. I think that's where you will find it.

My memory is hazy but when we were first given access to WARC bands, we  
did not have exclusive rights to them. There were various commercial and  
military stations that were still using the spectrum (especially 30  
meters) and we were advised not to cause interference to these stations  
as they were primary users and we were secondary.

To minimize unintentional QRM to these non-ham users, the ARRL worked  
with CQ and others to make sure that contests did not expand to the WARC  
bands. They were so concerned about 30 meters that they did not credit  
DX contacts for multiband DXCC, only basic DXCC.

The first night 30 meters was available for ham use sounded like a  
contest as everyone wanted to try it out.

I think we are beyond that point now.

73 de Dave, N0IT

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 14:31:08 -0800  
From: "Doug Hendricks" <ki6ds@dph.dphol.net>  
To: <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89619] Re: Gentlemen's Agreement  
Message-ID: <01c08655\$59158aa0\$330b0d0a@dhendricks>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="iso-8859-1"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

If the FCC said that we should have a Gentlemen's Agreement and not contest  
on 30 meters, I don't have a problem with that. IF the ARRL said that, then  
I do have a big problem as they are NOT the regulatory agency for ham radio  
in the US. The ARRL does not set policy for ham radio, the FCC does. The

latest deregulation and restructuring was NOT what the ARRL wanted to see happen, in fact they were vigorously opposed, yet it happened, and everyone was given the opportunity to comment on it, including the ARRL, but not restricted to the ARRL.

72, Doug

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:26:19 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: Somerville <somerville@uniserve.com>  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89620] Re: Antenna Restricted: Ballon Hung.  
Message-ID: <3A6F568B.1E94CE77@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John,

There are certainly places where pilots are foolhardy to go! Remember the saying "there are old pilots and there are bold pilots but there are no old bold pilots". But, please consider this when you consider balloon borne antennas. Your balloon doesn't think any place is foolhardy when it escapes your control and goes flying by itself!

73

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:32:32 -0500  
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>  
To: w2agn@pobox.com, qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89621] Re: Gentlemen's agreement??  
Message-ID: <3A6F5800.E30D1B69@erols.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

John,

I lived through that period myself. I can remember much being made about the gentleman's agreement. Read the issues, the CD's are a really cheap way to get those issuers that have gone out of print. I think if you read the issues rather than depend upon a bibliography you will find it was a big item!

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:43:54 EST  
From: RangerSF5@aol.com  
To: elbc@pivot.net, qrp-1@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89622] Re: That blasted HAAAAHA /I GOT WORMS  
Message-ID: <4d.688d667.27a0b4aa@aol.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

In a message dated 1/24/01 9:02:27 PM W. Europe Standard Time, elbc@pivot.net writes:

<< about once a month or more often if there is a serious threat. The program have found and quarenteed all email viruses i've received on QRP-L and other Lists . has worked flawlessly what more could you ask for ?

Here's the URL:

[http://www.grisoft.com/html/us\\_index.cfm](http://www.grisoft.com/html/us_index.cfm)

>>

Thank you

I did the download,

After everything went through I had to reboot.

Uopn starting, the screen came up and I HAD THE "WORM"

I ran the system and it said it was 1-worm/hypris.plugin.

After the system finished I told me that I did indeed had the worm.

However it sai that it was healed.

I ran the program again and nothing was detected.

Can someone tell me what HEALED means?

Do I still have it in my system?

BTW,

Norton never picked it up.

Bob

WA2HOQrp <tm>

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:46:09 -0600  
From: "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@midsouth.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89623] Re: ARRL and Morse Code??  
Message-ID: <003401c08657\$73ed9280\$0200a8c0@n5nw>  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset="Windows-1252"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

My apologies -- it was Mike Yetsko who made the "CW is fun" statements referenced in my earlier post. Excellent post, Mike!

But I agree with Bruce as well -- CW at any speed is fun. I hover around 20-22 wpm in a contest, 15-18 wpm in a ragchew. I'd like to get faster, but not at the expense of the fun!!!

72 es 73 de Marty, N5NW  
Memphis/Lakeland, Tennessee

----- Original Message -----  
From: "Marty N5NW" <n5nw@midsouth.rr.com>  
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 11:18 AM  
Subject: Re: ARRL and Morse Code??

> activity. Some people will never enjoy CW -- and that's fine. To the  
other  
> 95%, we need to make sure, as Bruce or someone else said, that we  
> communicate how much fun CW is. Most people find CW stressful. Once  
> learned, CW can actually be a stress relief! I find it relaxing, not that  
> everyone would, but I do.

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:50:09 -0600  
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
To: prm@hiwaay.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89624] Re: 30 mtr fox hunt..  
Message-ID: <3A6F5C21.3734C257@att.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Richard, I don't know how much you "Fox" but just about anyone can work the typical Fox - it is not a question of power or antenna or whatever. Unless the band is terrible - and it occasionally gets that way - everyone could work the Fox if only there were enough time. I suppose the original Hunts started out as propagation studies or some such high purpose, but truth is that how you operate and when has a lot more to do with success than raw propagation.

No, the "Hunt" comes from doing what you can to get yourself positioned properly in frequency and in time with your calls. Here operator skill is \*everything\* since there are no power advantages to be had and most of us on 40 are using simple antennas.

So, I would find your "contest" rather sterile since it would be almost automatic to call the Fox at my appointed time, hear him come back, and that would be that.

As it is, I can feel that I have accomplished something by first of all figuring out the tuning pattern - if any! - of the Fox and then managing to get my transmitter located at the right frequency and to make my calls at the right time. None of this would be a challenge at all if there were not 200-300 other avid Hounds trying to do the same thing!

Honestly, in more than 55 years of hamming and participating in almost all ham pursuits in that time, I seem to have more honest \*fun\* with these little Fox Hunts than anything that has happened for a long time. And being on a team - the NE-TX Tornados - just makes it that much more exciting.

72/73, George    W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas            NETXQRP 6

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> Richard WA4NWW

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 16:46:09 -0600  
From: "Tom K" <kkleiner@megsinet.net>  
To: "QRP list" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89625] Re: Novice WAS  
Message-ID: <200101242255.f00MtGR78151@mail3.mx.voyager.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Did they resurrect the Round-Up? That was discontinued some years back,  
and I really enjoyed it too!

Tom, N9HWC

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:59:33 -0500 (EST)  
From: "John L. Sielke" <w2agn@pobox.com>  
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89626] Re: Gentleman's Agreement  
Message-ID: <XFMail.010124175933.w2agn@pobox.com>  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit  
MIME-Version: 1.0

Well, I was sure not a participant. Maybe it's that secret understanding  
part. It was such a secret, nobody told me. Of course, I couldn't find any  
Italics, either, but maybe they are only in this "Didctionary."

Anyway, congratulations to the QRP-L. In just 24 hours, we have gone from  
a suggestion of a simple li'l old foxhunt on 30M, to overthrowing the ARRL  
and the FCC, having a revolution, and moving the SS, ARRL DX contest and  
even maybe the VHF QSO Party to the WARC bands. Plus we have branched out  
into "old vs new" hams, the CW requirement and "contests" vs "ragchewing."

Quite a stretch even for this group.

John W2AGN

On 24-Jan-01 Harris Keith E CONT CNIN wrote:

> Gang,  
> According to the American Heritage Dictionary of the English  
> Language,  
> fourth edition, 2000; Gentleman's Agreement is defined as "An unwritten  
> agreement guaranteed only by the pledged word or secret understanding of  
> the  
> participants". (*italics mine*) So I guess find it written down  
> somewhere  
> may be a little difficult.  
>  
> 73 de N9KH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:05:57 -0600  
From: "Andrew Catanzaro" <acatan@execpc.com>  
To: <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>, "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion"  
<qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89627] Re: about tuner losses  
Message-ID: <006401c0865a\$37557560\$415ccfa9@andy>  
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What load (SWR, radiation resistance, and Z) is it looking at?

----- Original Message -----

From: "Kanalz, Karl" <Karl.Kanalz@allegiancetelecom.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 11:20 AM  
Subject: RE: about tuner losses

> So does MY Johnson kilowatt "Matchbox", but I've never felt  
> any heat from it with 1500 watts going into it!  
>  
> Karl K - W8TIF  
> McKinney, Texas

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> > -----Original Message-----  
> > From: John Moriarity [SMTP:k6qq@hdo.net]  
> > Sent: Tuesday, January 23, 2001 3:19 PM  
> > To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
> > Subject: Re: about tuner losses  
> >  
> > > For 1 kW, the  
> > > dissipation becomes 110 W -- significant power.  
> > >  
> > > Which would certainly require ventilation holes. Gee, my 2kW Murch  
> > tuner  
> > > doesn't have any. Perhaps tuner losses aren't nearly as great as you  
> > > think.  
> >  
> > My old Johnson kW Matchbox had ventilation holes!  
> >  
> > 73,  
> >  
> > John, K6QQ  
> > Alturas, CA, at the corner of 299 & 395.  
> >  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:09:02 -0800  
From: "Adrian Weiss" <aweiss@usd.edu>  
To: Mike <mmorrow@companet.net>  
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu  
Subject: [89628] Re: 30 meters Foxhunt ok?  
Message-ID: <3A6F7CAE.58FC@usd.edu>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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Hi Mike:

I just added my two cents based on the analogy I drew about DXpeditions and IOTA stuff. I'm not the prime mover here but voicing an opinion and don't particularly care which way we go. One respondent made a really convincing argument against my analogy, i.e., DXpeditions are not regularly scheduled activities which happen every Tues/Thurs night, and I'll buy that as a fundamental difference. So, my analogy evaporates.

One aspect of my thinking was the actual absence of activity on

30m in the evening. I sit here with the rig on 30m night after night and hear CQ'rs come and go w/o any QSO's. I don't see as we'd be causing any bandwidth problem. In contrast, the 7040 area seems to have a lot of other activity every evening.

I guess I've never thought of the FOX as a contest. But now that you mention it, I'm reminded of hunting clubs racking up pelts, which is definitely a contest context. I just see the FOX as a heck of a lot of fun which draws out a big bunch of big QRP signals which produce a bedlam that is music to my ears.

To me, anything that brings out QRP'rs is a plus. The bad FOX nights when I can't hear either FOX or hunters (several this year) is really a big disappointment for that evening. Sometimes I look forward to FOXnight too much -- like Mon evening I went back up and told the XYL "must not be a FOX tonight -- wonder what happened!" She sincerely commiserated because she knows how important the FOX is to me. At any rate, I kept tuning around looking for the FOX until I heard W9JOP/4 calling CQ QRP. Called him and started the QSO, then he mentioned he was using his TT2 @ 350mw! And he had a good sig. when the QSB peaked! Still hard to believe. And I felt sort of like an impostor, what with my massive output of around 2 whole watts!

At any rate, I can't find anything in the Handbook about the gentlemen's agreement. Maybe someone else can dig up the source. All the handbook says about gentleman's agreement relates to the suggested freqs. for various modes in the other bands.

72, Ade

> > Bad advice. Fox is definitely a contest. No use being "Bill  
> Klinton-ish" about it. It would be odd and unfortunate if QRPers, many of whom  
pride themselves on being a notch above the average ham, began using such  
dishonest word-smithing to violate a long standing  
> gentelman's agreement.  
>  
> Just why does everything some people do have to turned into a  
> competition!!  
>  
> 73,  
> Mike / KK5F

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:15:14 -0600  
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
To: "Shelly Somerville" <somerville@uniserve.com>  
Cc: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [89629] Smith Charts

Message-ID: <014001c0865b\$81a257e0\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

Shelly,

Barnes and Noble and many Univ. book stores have a book on amateur radio shelf called Impedance Matching by Caron. It used to be sold by ARRL, but I think no more. It will give you the basics. Smith himself wrote the original book, check on Amazon or used book places like Half Price Books. I just saw a copy of Caron's book at noon at my local B&N.

73, Stuart k5KVH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:27:51 -0600

From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>

To: rohre@arlut.utexas.edu

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [89630] Re: Smith Charts

Message-ID: <3A6F64F7.1B5C097B@att.net>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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P.H. Smith published his original work in the January 1939 and January 1944 issues of "Electronics." I was unaware that he had published a book - details, Stuart?

If there is any interest in reading his original papers, some libraries may have fiche or other document files back to those dates. University libraries would likely be the best source.

Caron's book is excellent with dozen's and dozen's of worked out examples of Smith Chart applications. Shame that ARRL no longer carries it . . .

72/73, George    W5YR - the Yellow Rose of Texas            NETXQRP 6

Fairview, TX    30 mi NE Dallas in Collin county            QRP-L 1373

Amateur Radio W5YR, in the 55th year and it just keeps getting better!

Icom IC-756 PRO #02121 (9/00) Kachina #91900556 (12/99) IC-765 (6/90)

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:04:19 -0600  
From: Dave Sjolin <sjolin@swbell.net>  
To: kkleiner@megsinet.net  
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89631] Re: Novice WAS  
Message-ID: <3A6F5F73.BD33CB4B@swbell.net>  
MIME-version: 1.0  
Content-type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

Tom K wrote:

>  
> Did they resurrect the Round-Up? That was discontinued some years back,  
> and I really enjoyed it too!  
>  
> Tom, N9HWC

Tom, I think FISTS runs it now the ARRL no longer does. Check QST  
contest corral but I think its in February.  
73 de Dave, N0IT

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:48:43 -0600  
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
To: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>  
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89632] Re: Smith Charts  
Message-ID: <016801c08660\$2f3a5bb0\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

George and the group,  
Now I have to put my memory cap on, :-) The Smith Chart book was either  
advertised in the back of Microwave Journal, RF Design, or maybe even in one  
of the big four ham magazines: CQ, QST, 73, and World Radio. I know I have  
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If anyone on the list has access to their RF trade magazines I am not at home where I keep a few, :-)  
Trying to keep up with 24 publications things do go by in a speed reading blur!  
73,  
Stuart K5KVH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 15:46:23 -0800  
From: <schoon@amgt.com>  
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
Subject: [89633] RE: Smith Charts  
Message-ID: <c=US%a=\_%p=American\_Geotech%l=AG-CALCITE-BD-010124234623Z-1145@mail.amgt.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I nearly 100% sure it's available via WorldRadio <http://www.wr6wr.com> .  
I think they made a video as well.

72

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>From: Stuart Rohre[SMTP:rohre@arlut.utexas.edu]  
>Sent: Wednesday, January 24, 2001 3:48 PM  
>To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion  
>Subject: Re: Smith Charts  
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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 18:48:18 -0500  
From: "Victor Blackwell" <victor@brechnet.com>  
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>  
Subject: [89634] The HAAAAHA Virius  
Message-ID: <005101c08660\$214c3a00\$585730d1@victor>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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charset="iso-8859-1"  
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I just got a e-mail telling about some sort of a fix for the virus, there  
was a URL listed to go get the program to fix the virus. I did not go  
there. But, interestingly enough, it came from the same place as the virus  
came from. HMO, glad I did not go there.

So Be Warned.

Vic AD8K

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 17:57:17 -0600



From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89635] Smith Chart book, guide and charts  
Message-ID: <000901c08661\$61cab40\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

Yes gang,  
Noble Publishing has a whole Smith Chart kit as it were!

See: < [www.noblepub.com/np-6.html](http://www.noblepub.com/np-6.html)>

72, Stuart K5KVH

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 18:53:08 -0500  
From: "Wilford D. Lindsey" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
To: ".QRP-L Discussion Group" <QRP-L@Lehigh.edu>  
Cc: ")W.D.(Doc)Lindsey/K0EVZ" <70511.3041@compuserve.com>  
Subject: [89636] Cub FOX \*tonight\*--Ron N8VAR  
Message-ID: <200101241853\_MC2-C2F5-CD7F@compuserve.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: quoted-printable  
Content-Type: text/plain;  
charset=ISO-8859-1  
Content-Disposition: inline

Gang:

Tonight Ron N8VAR will be our Cub FOX. He will run from 9:00 pm - 11:00 pm, Eastern time in the USA (0200-0400 Zulu). This is a slow speed hunt,=

open to any interested QRPers. Ron is expecting to start on 7.141 or 7.137, +/- QRM. But note--if you do not hear him on one of these frequencies, he may have elected to go elsewhere :-).

If you have not had a chance to grab a FOX pelt, this could be it. Here'=s hoping for great propagation for everyone. GL Ron and hunters. I hope t= o get into the hunt myself.

72,  
--Doc/K0EVZ

Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 18:53:46 -0500  
From: Fran Flynn <fflynn@adelphia.net>  
To: qrp-l Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89637] Pixie Sched  
Message-ID: <3A6F6B0A.75C8744E@adelphia.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I will be on 3685.8 with a Pixie at 0200Z tonight Jan 24. 9pm Wed night EST. If you need a QRPp QSO from Vermont, this is a chance.

Thanks,

-Fran Km1z

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Date: Wed, 24 Jan 2001 18:03:15 -0600  
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>  
To: <schoon@amgt.com>, <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>  
Subject: [89638] Re: Smith Charts  
Message-ID: <001e01c08662\$36ede050\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

Great,  
Just looked at World Radio web site, under products, books, and they have the Smith book from Noble, and other interesting books besides their own! Take a look and thanks to Mark for pointing this out.  
<http://www.wr6wr.com>  
K5KVH

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